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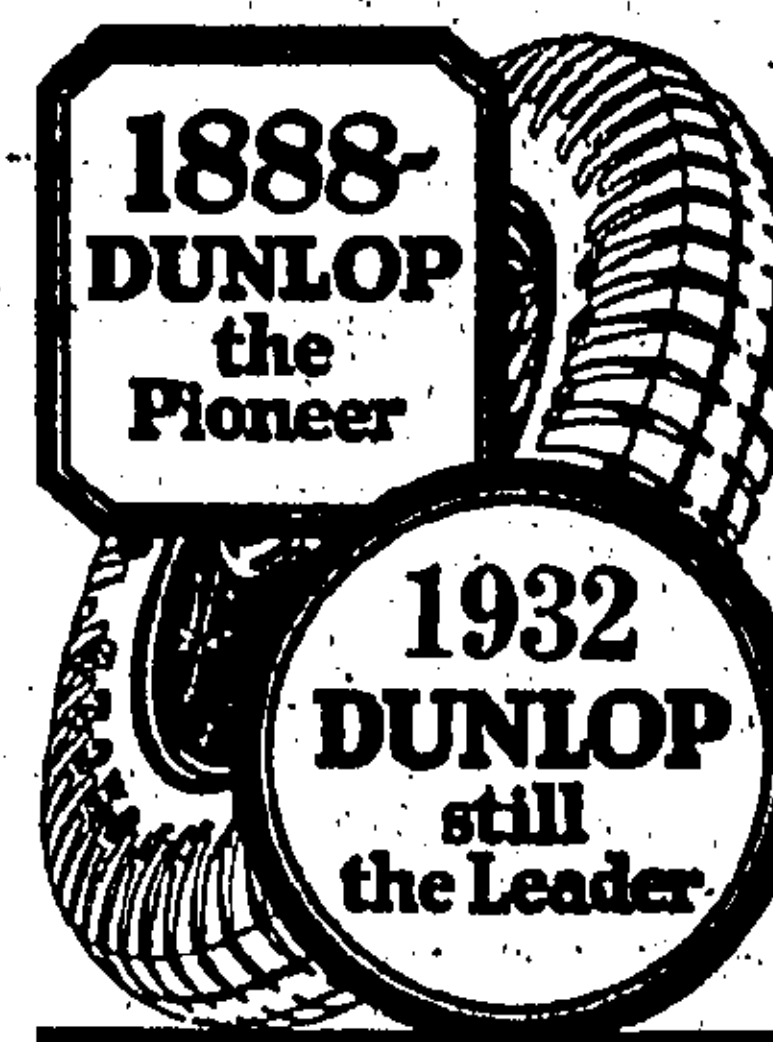
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## SEVERE FIGHTING BEYOND KIANGWAN JAPANESE CLAIM VILLAGE IN THEIR HANDS VIRTUALLY

### TRIBUTE TO CHINESE SOLDIERS

THEY HAVE FOUGHT WITH COURAGE  
THAT IS UNPARALLELED.

All last night, the Chinese subjected the Japanese lines on the Chapei front to a terrific "strafe." It was thought, at one time, that the Chinese might make a night counter-attack, but this was not undertaken.

Chinese reports claim the recapture of Miaohongchen, after severe fighting in which the Japanese suffered heavy losses. Japanese circles, however, deny such reports.

Severe fighting is in progress beyond Kiangwan, and the village is now said to be virtually in Japanese hands. The Chinese troops are fighting desperately and courageously, but no human beings can stand against the barrage of steel and high explosives which the Japanese are now bringing to bear upon them.

Again the Municipal authorities of Shanghai are becoming apprehensive of disorders in the Settlement as a result of the thousands of idle workers, and attempts are being made to accommodate them elsewhere, but the problem of feeding so many hungry mouths is a serious problem.

The Chinese air base at Hangchow is reported to have been bombed, this morning, by the Japanese. Much damage to planes and hangars is said to have been done.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai (11.46 a.m.), To-day.

The severest fighting, yet experienced, has occurred beyond Kiangwan, where the Japanese, in spite of the resolute opposition, pushed into new positions, after intensive artillery and air bombardment, and are holding whatever ground they have succeeded in capturing. Successive waves of counter-attacks have crumbled and been broken under withering musketry fire.

The Chinese seem to be shaken by the continued thunder of the barrage which has now shifted to the rear and by the pounding from high explosive shells from aircraft.

The Japanese broke through the elaborate Chinese defences after several days of careful preparation, finally clearing Kiangwan Village almost entirely of Chinese detachments and machine-gun nests.

Colonel Harada, Japanese Military Attache, pays tribute to the Chinese soldiers who, he says, have exhibited unparalleled courage.

The Municipal authorities are apprehensive of grave disorders breaking out among the thousands of idle workers, and Chinese officials are transporting thousands to other parts. The feeding of so many hungry mouths is a serious problem.

Chinese Artillery "Strafe"  
Japanese Lines.

Shanghai (1.10 a.m.),  
To-day.

The thunder of artillery echoes and re-echoes throughout Shanghai as the Chinese batteries are subjecting the Japanese lines on the Chapei front to a terrific bombardment, which now, at 1.00 a.m., has been going on for the last hour. The shelling has caused yet another huge fire, which is rapidly extending.

There are indications that the Chinese may attempt a night-attack on the Chapei front, along which the Japanese defences have been considerably weakened, owing to the concentration of troops at Kiangwan.

Up to the present, the Japanese Consulate, or the Japanese Admiral's Flag-ship, which is lying

alongside the Consulate, have not been fired upon.

Miaohongchen Recaptured  
by Chinese.

Shanghai (7.25 a.m.),  
To-day.

The Chinese bombardment of Chapei continued throughout the night, but no attempt was made to storm the Japanese lines there. With the approach of dawn, the intensity of the artillery fire subsided, but the rattle of machine-guns went on without cessation.

Chinese reports claim that, after the most severe fighting yet experienced beyond Kiangwan, in which it is stated that the Japanese suffered heavy casualties, Miaohongchen was captured early this morning by Chinese forces.

The Japanese, however, deny this report.

During the night, the Chinese

## SHANGHAI REFUGEES FUND.

Special Performances  
at King's Theatre.

MARCH 2.

In aid of that deserving charity — The Shanghai Refugees Fund — the management of the King's Theatre, with that courtesy and sympathy for deserving causes commonly now associated with it, has decided to make over to the Fund the entire proceeds of the four showings at the theatre on Wednesday, March 2. The entire proceeds will be made over to the Tung Wah Hospital, which institution has undertaken to forward the money to the Committee managing the Fund in Shanghai.

Prices will be as usual, and as will be noticed from an advertisement appearing elsewhere in this Paper, a different programme is to be presented at each of the four shows to be held that day — March 2.

At 2.30 o'clock the feature film will be "Seas Beneath" with George O'Brien in the title role.

At 5.10 p.m. "The Smiling Lieutenant," featuring that screen favourite, Maurice Chevalier, will be shown.

At 7.15 p.m. "Monkey Business" with the Marx brothers will provide entertainment.

And at 9.30 that outstandingly successful British film "Plunder" will be shown.

Hong Kong Chinese, especially, we feel sure, will see to it that each one of the showings is well patronised.

## CHINESE AIR BASE AT HANGCHOW BOMBED.

Much Damage  
Done.

Shanghai (12.22 p.m.),  
To-day.

At eight o'clock this morning, a number of Japanese aeroplanes, bombers and fighters, flew over Hangchow and bombed the Chinese air base there, and claim to have destroyed five planes on the landing field and the hangars, and also to have crashed two Chinese planes that rose into the air to engage the attackers. As the Japanese bombers left, they report they saw parts of Hangchow city in flames. — Reuter's Pacific Service.

## MANCHOWKUO.

New Name for  
Manchuria.

"ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE"  
IN MANCHURIA.

Mukden, Yesterday.  
The Manchurian "Administrative Committee" has issued a statement to the effect that the name of the new Independent State will be Manchowkuo, with Changchun as the Capital.

The Ruler will be called Chingcheng (meaning Dictator) and shall be provisionally installed as such until formally initiated by the People "According to a Constitution to be promulgated in the future."

The name of the new Era will be Ta-Tung (meaning the Great Union).

The new flag will be yellow, with red, blue, white and black bars in the upper corner. — Reuter's Pacific Service.

troops on the Chapei-Kiangwan sector, were extremely busy strengthening their defences in anticipation of a fresh Japanese onslaught. — Reuter's Pacific Service.

## A DISARMAMENT FABLE.

By the "Spanish  
Aesop."

HUMOUR AND WIT AT THE  
CONFERENCE.

(Reuter's Special Service.)  
Geneva, Yesterday.

The "Spanish Aesop" delighted the Disarmament Conference to-day

with an up-to-date version of the fable. Senior

Madariaga explained why Russia favoured

general disarmament, and left the whole meeting,

including M. Litvinoff, convulsed with

laughter by his reference to the Russian bear. He

related that the lion, the eagle, the tiger, the bull

and the bear met to discuss disarmament.

The lion, eyeing the eagle, suggested abolition

of the wings of the eagle. Looking towards the

bull, it favoured abolition of the horns of the

bull. Fearing the tiger, it suggested abolition of

the claws. Then the bear welcomed abolition of all

these weapons, so he could embrace all the

others in his loving arms.

## GENERALLY OVERCAST.

The Royal Observatory's report issued this morning states:—

The anti-cyclone is central to the East of Sianfu, moving Eastward.

The depression has deepened and moved to the East of Tokyo.

Forecast: N.E. winds, fresh; generally overcast.

Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day nil.

Total since January 1—1.94 inches against an average of 2.97 inches—deficit 1.03 inch.

Temperature.

Hong Kong ..... 50

Manila ..... 50

Pratas Island ..... 61

Poochow ..... 74

Amoy ..... 48

Chefoo ..... 47

Shanghai ..... 25

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## TRIUMPH FOR SIR JOHN SIMON.

Resolution Adopted by  
the Disarmament  
Conference.

SUB-COMMITTEES TO BE  
NOMINATED.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Disarmament Conference this afternoon unanimously adopted

the resolution proposed by the British Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, as follows:—

"That the General Commission resolves to carry on its discussions within the framework of the draft of the Disarmament Convention,

full liberty being reserved to all delegations to develop their own proposals in subsequent debate and to move their amendments in the form of modifications, additions or omissions, at an appropriate point."

After three hours' discussion the Conference decided to nominate sub-committees to deal with land, sea and air armaments, war budgets and political questions.

Each sub-committee will be composed of one delegate from each country assisted by experts and secretaries. — British Official Wireless Press.

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## MR. STIMSON'S LETTER TO SENATOR BORAH LEVER TO INDUCE BRITISH CO-OPERATION

### UNFORTUNATE THREAT

EMBARK AGAIN ON A NAVAL  
BUILDING RACE.

Washington, Yesterday.

The suggestion is being made in administrative circles that Mr. Stimson's letter to Senator Borah may be used as a lever to induce Britain to co-operate more closely with the United States in the Far East, according to leading American newspapers, which

hold that Britain would prefer to support Washington vigorously in order to prevent Japan embarking on a policy of imperialism, on which many United States' officials believe the Japanese military party is determined, rather than see an increase made in the American fleet and fortification bases erected in the Pacific.

Newspapers declare that Mr. Stimson's disappointment at the failure of Britain and France to support vigorously his defence of the Nine-Power Treaty is an "open secret." — Reuter's American Service.

### BRITISH PRESS COMMENTS.

"Daily Telegraph."

London, Yesterday.

Commenting on Mr. Stimson's "Hint to Japan," the Paper observes that the letter completely traverses Japanese protestations of non-violation of the Nine-Power and Kellogg Pacts, but remarks that his reference to the time question would commend general

assent, if, during the last ten years' successive Chinese Governments had seriously made an effort to set China's house in order and loyally carried out treaty obligations which omissions alone make it impossible for Britain to subscribe without a careful qualification to Mr. Stimson's case. — Reuter.

London, Yesterday.

The "News Chronicle" in a leader to-day says that anxiety for Anglo-American co-operation, in the Far Eastern crisis is evident, at the earliest and not allowed to develop into conviction. — Reuter.

Washington, Yesterday.

European Powers' line of action in regard to the Far East is re-iterated here as co-operation with the League rather than enunciation of any individual policy, such as Mr. Stimson's note to Japan of January 7, and is concerned with charges and counter-charges of atrocities, such as the use of Dum-dum bullets, slaughter of civilians, etc., handed between the Chinese and Japanese representatives. — Reuter's American Service.

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## FUNERAL OF NOTED AUTHOR.

Edgar Wallace's Last  
Resting Place.

"RASS PRINCE" LEGEND.

(Reuter's Special Service.)

London, Yesterday.

The Press, the Stage and the Turf were represented at the funeral of Edgar Wallace at Little Marlow, Bucks, where the novelist had a country home. The mile long road from the house to the church was lined by people with wreaths, which included one from a popular tipster, "Rass Prince Honolulu," bearing the legend "all equal on the turf and under the turf."

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## "STAR" FERRY CO.

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TO-DAY'S CONFIRMATORY  
MEETING.

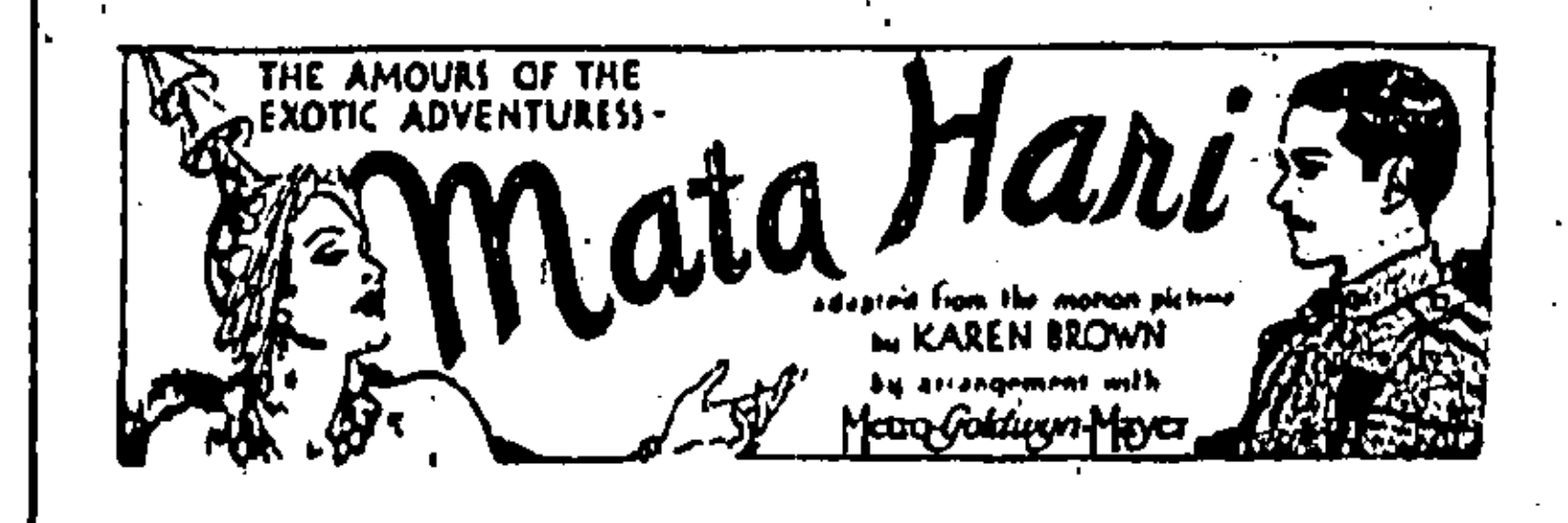
At an Extraordinary General Meeting of the "Star" Ferry Co., Ltd., held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., at 12.30 p.m. to-day, an extraordinary resolution passed by Shareholders for the increase of the Directors' fees was confirmed as a special resolution.

The Hon. Mr. J. J. Patterson presided and was supported by the Hon. Mr. C. G. Mackie, J. P. Warren, A. H. Compton, and H. H. H. Priestley (Directors), and Mr. F. H. Crapnell (Secretary).









CHAPTER V.

**WHAT HAS HAPPENED SO FAR.**  
Alexander Rosanoff, an aviator in the Russian secret service, delivers a packet of confidential papers to the Russian Embassy in Paris and persuades Colonel Shubin, ranking Attaché, to take him to see the famous Mata Hari perform an exotic dance. Later, he follows her to a gambling casino where she had gone to meet Adriana, owner of the resort and an enemy spy. Here she is told of the papers and promises to get them from Shubin. Yielding to a whim, she permits Rosanoff to make love to her. But in the morning she is annoyed that she has shirked her task. She sends him away and sets out to get the papers. NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY.

**THE QUARREL WITH SHUBIN.**

The dancer did not come to the point as soon as they were alone, however. Although she was sure of Shubin, still it was advisable to be tactful with him. He had given her much information. But often in the past she had been obliged to nurse him through periods of remorse when, in the depths of Russian melancholia, he had promised to become not only useless to her but dangerous.

Men were so queerly foolish, sentimental. A man had to cling to his pride and his honour even if he could do so only by lying to himself. A woman would dispense with pride and honour quite simply, without giving them a thought, if, by so doing, she thought she could get what she wanted.

So Mata Hari had made Shubin feel that to be a traitor really required much more dash and courage than to be loyal since it was so much more dangerous.

They talked like old friends. Noticing that he was reluctant to touch the vodka, she suggested a toast and took a sip or two herself. Ordinarily she disliked the fiery stuff.

It was Shubin, after all, who precipitated their discussion. He told her that he had had a visitor from the French secret service.

"Dubois himself, no doubt?"

"Yes," he said after a moment.

In that case she anticipated that the matter would not be quite so simple as she had told Adriana. She thought quickly, rather exhilarated. It was much more fun to match wits and overcome obstacles.

"Yes," she replied in a tone of indifference. "I rather expected something was in the air. Dubois came to see me dance last night and I believe he had me followed to the Pavilion. As if I were not prepared for all that! Did he question you about me, my poor friend? Is that why you are so dejected?"

When she came over to him and patted his hand, Shubin gave a deep sigh and looked up at her, pleading as if he wished to be released from some torment.

"Mata! He is in earnest and that grim bulldog, once he has set his teeth, will never let go. I overheard him last night. He said, 'Some will dance and die.'"

"Oh... oh... what drama in a simple statement! Why, of course, I will dance and die. Don't we all die?"

But Shubin saw that she did not in the least believe this, any more than any healthy person believes in death.

"But you will die, Mata," he insisted, trying to impress her with the seriousness of her position.

"He knows a great deal about you. You are strongly suspected. He knows that on the day of the declaration of war you lunched with the Prefect of Police in Berlin and drove with him all afternoon through the crowds..."

"My dear friend! But I could explain that perfectly! The Prefect of Police supervises the theatres. There had been some complaint about my dance to Kall—there are prudes everywhere—and he came to see for himself. When a functionary so important to one, for I am sure Monsieur Dubois would, could have banned the performance, invites one to lunch and drive—what's one to do?"

"But it's more than that! Dubois says that you are always in the company of soldiers, especially aviators. No sooner does one of these men come to see you on leave, than it is apparent that the enemy has received fresh information. How would you explain that?"

"I wouldn't attempt to explain that! There are no worthwhile men here who are not soldiers, and I find aviators most charming. I don't expect you to sympathize with this. You are so infernally jealous. But I am sure Monsieur Dubois would."

"It's a pity," she said lightly, "that I have had no opportunity to converse with Monsieur Dubois."

"You are likely to have that opportunity soon—and repent it!"

"My dear Shubin!" Often she blurted out words by their last names, man-fashion. "Are you threatening me?"

At this point the servant came in to make the fire. They fell into a silence, which was welcome to the dancer, at least, for it gave her time to reflect. A queer thought occurred to her. That Dubois suspected Shubin was, of course, obvious. But that would be an exceedingly grave matter. Shubin was not only very well-connected but not under French jurisdiction; his home, his office stood on diplomatic ground, Russian ground. Moreover, Dubois would realise that Shubin was just a tool. Could it be that the French Secret Service was striking at her through Shubin, that he had been approached in the hope that he would say or do something to betray her? He would never shield himself behind her skirts, she did him the justice to believe. But—but he could be trapped.

"Shall I serve dinner now, sir?"

"Oh, I must get warmed first!" protested the dancer. "My teeth are chattering—and so are Monsieur Shubin's."

Shubin took the hint and dismissed the man.

"What did you mean—my teeth are chattering?"

"I meant that you are a coward," she said briskly. "You have had a little chat with Dubois and you are in a great bother about it."

"Mata! It's for you!" he exclaimed, wounded. "It's because I know what this will lead you to. To be shot as a spy, when one is so young and so beautiful! It's not good to think of. Trust me, Mata—take some advice from me—I am much older than you, and besides I adore you—give up these activities which, in the end, will finish you. After all, Germany is not your country. If you must have excitement, why not work for us—for the Allies?"

Was this another suggestion from Dubois?

"Do you know what the English said when they had my effects

searched in London?" she demanded. "They were surprised to find me so dignified! I used no gestures! I made no attempt to seduce them! They were amazed that I was not a giggling, little coquette, without brains, without 'breeding,' I was come of a lineage that lived in palaces when the English were grovelling in caves! And I am to work for such people, indeed!"

"They are never tactful, those English," murmured Shubin, who understood how her vanity had been hurt. "But the French..."

"Oh, the French! In France, they look upon me as a woman, a beautiful woman, an accomplished dancer, no doubt. But in Germany, when I dance, they worship me as a goddess!"

She rose and warmed her hands at the fire, breathing quickly with the vehemence which she was prepared to display.

"Even you, Shubin, who know me and in whom I have had great faith, even you think nothing of playing me false because—what does it matter?—I am only a woman. Very well, I shall know how to defend myself against you in future."

This threat that he would lose her, which had never failed to agonise him, now made him cry out: "But what is it I've done to you, Mata? I am repeating what Dubois told me, I am..."

"I know what you are doing! You are attempting to pull the wool over my eyes, for you know very well that I am aware that you have had fresh dispatches from Russia."

"No—no—I..."

After a long pause, Shubin said heavily, "I can't. No, I can't discuss those with you, Mata."

"I have already told you so much. I have already dishonoured myself for your sake. Don't—don't," he begged, "ask it—no—"

As if he could touch her! She was adamant.

"Honour! Honour! To refuse a favour to a friend who has trusted to your friendship! That's honour, isn't it? To refuse aid to one whom you profess to love? That's love, isn't it?" she flung out at him so passionately that he was too confused to protest against the speciousness of her accusations.

Seeing him so humbled, she gave a final twist of the knife.

"You are a coward. You're afraid for your skin, my friend, that's all there is to it."

"I am not thinking of myself," said Shubin gloomily. "I am a lost man—a traitor. I shall shoot myself one day and my country will be well rid of me."

This was familiar ground and, with finesse, she felt that she would still win.

"Oh, well," she said at length, as if the whole business had grown too distasteful to pursue any further, "we may as well have our dinner, then."

By the time they had reached the desert course, she had, by means of a little flattery, a little wine, a skilful indifference, brought him almost to his customary state of submission. Now it only remained to make him understand that the price of her favours was no light one and she was in the midst of some cool manoeuvring to that end, when the servant, to her surprise and amusement, announced Rosanoff.

"Ah, yes, there's a young man who would not leave Paris without seeing you dance," remarked Shubin.

She thereupon laughingly insisted that of course the young man must be introduced and Shubin humoured her.

Thus it happened that Rosanoff made another formal bow to the dancer. He was silent, while Mata, in a spirit of mischief, could not refrain from murmuring, "But the young man's face looks so familiar!"

Rosanoff's eyes returned contempt for her insolence and for the famil-

**RADIO**  
TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.s):—

5-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.  
7-10.30 p.m.—European Programme.

7.05-7.30 p.m.—Band Selections.  
Naila (Delibes).  
Band of the Royal Air Force (5168).  
Repass Band (Sweeney).  
Invercargill (Lithgow).  
Band of the Royal Air Force (5138).  
Bond of Friendship (Regan).  
Strauss March (Mezzacapi).  
Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards (4359).  
La Nuova Gioventù (Rossi).  
Silenzio Militare (Silvestri).  
Banda Italiana Columbia (14626-F).

7.30-8 p.m.—From the Studio—  
A Talk on "A History of Horticulture in Hong Kong" by Professor G. A. C. Herklotz, D.Ph., B.Sc.  
8 p.m.—Local Time.

8.05-8.20 p.m.—  
Brigg Fair—An English Rhapsody (Frederick Delius).  
Sir Thomas Beecham & His Symphony Orchestra (L294-5).  
8.20-9.40 p.m.—Variety.

Song—  
Vesper Bell,  
Cries of Old London,  
Emmie Joyce (Soprano) (DB400).  
Hawaiian Music—  
An Old Italian Love Song,  
In the Moonlight,  
Linn Milford & His Hawaiian Singers (MR28).  
Vocal Duet—  
You'll be Mine in Apple Blossom Time,  
Laughing at the Rain,  
Layton & Johnstone (DB514).  
Organ Solo—  
Sleepy Head,  
Really Mine,  
Terance Casey (DB515).  
Song—  
Moonlight Saving Time,  
Faithfully Yours,  
Ruth Etting (Comedienne) (DB571).  
Piano Solo—  
Lullaby of her tete-a-tete with Shubin.

"You asked me to report here, sir," he reminded the latter, standing at attention.

"Yes. You are to keep to your rooms, and there will be instructions communicated to you in the morning as to the hour of your departure."

He added a few words in Russian. As soon as Rosanoff had gone, however, Mata Hari reproached the attaché.

"Really, Shubin, you are too tiresome! To dismiss so abruptly such a charming young man! One of your new secretaries— isn't he?"

"No, no, Mata. That doesn't show your usual skill, my dear. That's quite too obvious a question. Though as an aviator, the young man would no doubt interest you."

Aviator! Aviator! He would be flying somewhere to-morrow then.

"He does interest me."

"I am ready to believe it," he said, suddenly harsh, "though you are so pat with assurances of your faithfulness. But the young man will be unavailable for the present, I am afraid. He is going back to Russia to-morrow."

Flying—to Russia—to-morrow. And with information, of course. Shubin with his patent secrecy—his orders in Russian!

"A pity!" she murmured. "I am so tired of old men."

Stung to the quick, Shubin rejoined, "I know that you have no further feeling for me since I will no longer supply you with what you demand. And supply you I will not. I have sent the papers out of my rooms. They are safe from you. To-morrow they will be in Russia. And my lips are forever sealed!"

"In that case," said Mata Hari, "I can go."

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Ernest Jones (DB420).  
Orchestral—  
Cooking Breakfast for the One I Love,  
Lee Morse and Her Blue Grass Boys.  
Song—  
Funny Dear, What Love Can Do,  
Ruth Etting (Comedienne) (DB147).  
Hawaiian Music—  
On the Dreamy Moana Shore,  
Tropical Hula,  
South Sea Islanders (1249-D).  
Vocal Quartette—  
Just Imagine—Film Songs Medley,  
Drinking Song,  
The Big Four (DB441).  
Piano Solo—  
Follow Through—Selection,  
Billy Mayerl (5605).  
9.40-10.08 p.m.—Operatic.  
Overture Overture (Weber).  
William Mengelberg & His Concertgebouw Orchestra (L2312).  
La Traviata—Ahl Fors's Lui (Verdi),  
Rigoletto—Tutto le Feste (Verdi),  
A. M. Guglielmini (Soprano) (D1603).  
Triumphal March from "Sigurd Jorsalfar" (Greig).  
W. Steff-Langston (Organist) (D1603).  
Bohème—O Mimmi tu Più Non Torni (Puccini).  
Bohème—Nel Ciel Bigli (Puccini).  
Dino Borgioli & Gino Vancelli (D1603).  
10.08-10.28 p.m.—Old Song Hits.  
Music Hall Memories (Pub. Fieldman & Co.).  
The Variety Singers (MX2).  
An Old Time "Sing-Song" (Pub. Francis, Day & Hunter).  
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10.30 p.m.—Close Down.  
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| 25   | 6.49    | 6.24   |
| 26   | 6.48    | 6.25   |
| 27   | 6.47    | 6.26   |
| 28   | 6.47    | 6.26   |
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## CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

## LADIES' RECREATION CLUB WIN.

## Inter-Club Challenge Shield.

## U.S.R.C. RUNNERS-UP.

The annual triangular contest for Ladies' Inter-Club Challenge Shield took place on February 25 on the courts of the U.S.R.C. and the Ladies' Recreation Club (the holders) proved their right to retain the Shield for another year.

Each Club was represented by two couples who each played sets of eleven games with both pairs of the other Clubs, making the total possible score for a Club eighty-eight games. The results were as follows:—

Ladies' Recreation Club.  
Mrs. Tottenham & Mrs. Stafford-Smith ..... 30  
Mrs. Mackie & Mrs. C. C. Stark 21

United Services Recreation Club.  
Mrs. Lochner & Mrs. Marriott ..... 22  
Mrs. Majendie & Miss Pullen ..... 23

Peak Club.  
Mrs. Davenport-Browne & Miss R. Hancock ..... 21  
Mrs. Martell-Hall & Mrs. Sayer ..... 15

This Shield has now been contested for on sixteen occasions and has been won by the L.R.C. eleven times, the U.S.R.C. three times and the Peak Club twice.

## Our Sports Diary.

**TO-DAY.**  
LAWN TENNIS—Open Singles—A. H. Harkins v. Yew Man-Kit; Lu Tak-chuk v. J. A. Cassam-bhoy; M. K. Lo v. Y. Hachiuma; E. C. Finch v. J. Barrow; S. A. Bumjahn v. T. A. Yau-pui; Open Doubles—G. W. Sowell and L. Wright v. Wong Fuk-nam and H. H. Ho; G. A. Noronha and L. A. da Rocha v. T. L. Lu and C. C. Luk; A. R. Minu and A. H. Madar v. W. Hyde and D. C. Luk; C. P. Hyatt and M. W. Turner v. A. V. Remedios and L. A. Ribeiro.

**CRICKET**—First Division—Indian R.C. v. Kowloon C.C. (L.); University v. Navy (L.); Craigengower C.C. v. Civil Service C.C. (F.); Second Division—Kowloon C.C. v. Indian R.C. (L.); Civil Service C.C. v. Craigengower C.C. (F.); Royal Engineers & Signals v. University (F.).

**FOOTBALL**—First Division—Kowloon v. Borderers; Navy v. St. Joseph's; Third Division—Royal Engineers v. Royal Air Force; Borderers v. Recoilo.

**RACING**—Annual Race Meeting, Happy Valley, Sunday.

**FOOTBALL**—Charity Match—Army v. Chinese at Caroline Hill at 4.30 p.m.

**GOLF**—Final of Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Captain's Cup. H. W. FINE—Fanning Hunt Hounds Meet at Lokmichau at 3.15 p.m.

## ST. ANDREW'S LADIES BEAT H.K. RIVALS.

## Odd Goal in Three at King's Park.

In a fast hockey encounter on the Diocesan Girls' School ground yesterday afternoon the St. Andrew's Club Ladies defeated the Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club by the odd goal in three. M. Woolley and P. Gittins netted for the Saints, but Hong Kong decreased the deficit through P. M. Harrop before the interval. In the second half Hong Kong again scored through P. M. Harrop, after which the exchanges provided much excitement. P. Gittins scored the Saints third and winning goal.

## PRESTON DEFEAT STOKE CITY.

## Home Football.

London, Yesterday. In the Second Division of the English League Preston, North End at home defeated Stoke City by two goals to nil.—Reuter.

## THE MACAO RACES.

## ENTRIES FOR SPRING MEETING ON MARCH 13

The entries for the Spring Race Meeting of the Macao Jockey Club, to be held on March 13, are given below:

**Bedeal Handicap: Once Round.** For Winners and Placed Macao Subscription Ponies and ponies that were classified by The Hong Kong Jockey Club as D1 Class ponies at the end of December, 1931. Entrance Fee, \$5. 1st Prize, \$300. 2nd Prize, \$125. 3rd Prize, \$75.

Arminius; Bay of Bellingham II; Blue Plane; Brown Eyes; Country Club; Flornotta; Genghis-Khan; Heliotrope; Leaf; Hsui Sui Woo; Jingo; Lightship; Matsushima; New King; Pure Music; Silver Key; Tai Ping Yang; The Slow Bird; Twilight.

**Beaufort Plate: One Mile.** For non-winning Subscription Griffins of The Hong Kong Jockey Club of 1932. Weight for inches as per Scale. (Jockey Allowance). Entrance Fee, \$5. 1st Prize, \$350. 2nd Prize, \$125. 3rd Prize, \$75. If entries for this Race are found to make the field unwieldy, the entries will be divided into two Races.

Amon; Banjolina; Buchanan; Diplodocus; Fighting Blood; Firefly; Friar John; Gallant Fox; Gamester; Gay Fox; Golden Arrow; Gold Bar; Gold Cup; Ghost Train; Highjink; Hosordy; Huggo; Jimmy; Jupiter; Malakit; Mausie; Mistletoe; Pathfinder; Public Money; Silvery Eve; Speedy; Sunbeau; The Curlew; The Rainstorm; The Wanderer; Trigo; Tulla; Valeta; Valley Hall; Warsaw Stag.

**The Macao Derby: One And A Half Miles.** For non-winning Griffins of the Hong Kong Jockey Club of this Season. Weight for inches as per Scale. Entrance Fee, \$20. 1st Prize, \$1,000. 2nd Prize, \$500. 3rd Prize, \$250.

Ajax; Amos; Army Hall; Blue-rove; California; Cebu; Chateau Bay; Christmas Joy; Cupid; Darkest Eve; Devon; Esculade; Festival Eve; Golden Star; Gold Mine; Hillo; Jack; Just Imagine; Kate; Meridian Star; Merry Thought; Michael Guy; Mon Talisman; Myrtle Leaf; Navy Hall; Powhatan; Powerful King; Punch; Saturn; Snappy Eve; The Gadwall; The Shoveller; Toby; Tommy Boy; White Jade Stag; Winkie; Workable Stag.

**Belvoir Stakes: Once Round.** For non-placed Macao Subscription

ponies and ponies that were classified by The Hong Kong Jockey Club as D2 Class Ponies, \$5. 1st Prize, \$300. 2nd Prize, \$125. 3rd Prize, \$75.

Bright Eyes; Celerity; Chocow II; Golden Glory; Gold Standard; Indian Plain II; Lonesome Life; Pasha; Shawnee; Sterling Castle; Sunny Day.

**The Eve Cup: One And A Quarter Miles.** For non-winning Australian Sub-griffins of The Hong Kong Jockey Club of 1932. Weight for inches as per Scale. (Jockey Allowance). Entrance Fee, \$10. 1st Prize: A Cup presented with \$400 added by the Club. 2nd Prize, \$200. 3rd Prize, \$100.

Adonis; Anniversary Eve; Aurora; Ben Hur; But After That; Calamity Jane; Friar Tuck; Gold Digger; Gold Rush; Koh-I-Noor; Manna; Patricia Hall; Retha; Season Ticket; Senorita; Sunlight; The Rainbow; The Widgion; Yaraman.

**The Macao Jockey Cup: Once Round.** For Sub-Griffins of The Hong Kong Jockey Club of any Season. Weight for inches as per Scale. For Jockeys who have not won more than 10 Races. Jockeys 2 lb penalty for each win, but limit of 10 lb. 1st Prize: A Cup with \$300 added. 2nd Prize, \$125. 3rd Prize, \$75. Entrance Fee, \$5.

Amon; Banjolina; Bridge Hall; Brown Eyes; Gallant Fox; Ghost Train; Golden Arrow; Good Day; Jupiter; Malakit; Misamis; Pathfinder; Shanghai Beau; Silvery Eve; Sonny Boy; Speedy; Tango; The Rainstorm; The Wanderer; Trigo.

**The Chairman's Cup: One Mile.** For non-winning Griffins of The Hong Kong Jockey Club of this Season. Weight for inches as per Scale. (Jockey Allowance). Entrance Fee, \$10. 1st Prize: A Cup with \$400 added. 2nd Prize, \$200. 3rd Prize, \$100.

Ajax; Alexandra Hall; Amos; Blue-rove; Bowery Bay; Cebu; Chateau Bay; Christmas Joy; Coquine; Cupid; Darkest Eve; Esculade; Festival Eve; Gold Mine; Hillo; Indiana; Jack; Just Imagine; Kate; Maple Leaf; Merry Thought; Michael Guy; Mon Talisman; Powerful King; Powhatan; Punch; Saturn; Snappy Eve; The Gadwall; The Shoveller; Toby; Tommy Boy; Venus; Wembley Stag; White Jade Stag; Winkie; Why Worry; Workable Stag.

## CIVIL SERVICE JUNIORS.

## League Match Against Craigengower.

The match between the Civil Service C.C. 1st XI and the Craigengower 1st XI has been cancelled.

The following will represent the Civil Service C.C. second eleven against the Craigengower C.C. on the C.S.C.C. ground to-morrow:—H. E. Strange (captain), A. E. Wood, C. H. G. Bradley, S. Randle, A. W. Grimmett, W. H. Edmonds, N. Belbington, J. F. McGowan, R. H. Woodman, T. Armstrong, and C. Strange.

## PERKINS NOW INELIGIBLE.

## Becomes American Citizen.

New York, February 5. A great goiter has been lost to England by the decision of Phil Perkins, the former British Amateur Champion, to become an American citizen. He will thus not be available for the British Walker Cup team.—(Reuter).

## QUEENSLAND WIN BY 139 RUNS.

## Victoria's Defeat in Sheffield Shield.

London, February 1. In the Sheffield match at Brisbane, Queensland beat Victoria by 139 runs.

Scores:—Queensland: 504 (Oxenham 162 not out, Benstead 82; A'Beckett 4 for 105) and 216 for 6 wickets (declared) (Slides 56 not out). Victoria: 277 (Barnett 60) and 304 (Ryder 71, Oakley 88, A'Beckett 55, Gilbert 5 for 67).

## CARNERA BEATS GERMAN.

## Opponent Forced to Retire.

Berlin, February 5. Carnera soundly thrashed the German, Ernst Guhring, in a ten-round contest to-day. Guhring eventually gave up the fight in the fifth round owing to an injured foot. Guhring would almost certainly have been knocked out had the fight continued.—(Reuter).

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In Admiralty Jurisdiction on February 19, the Chief Justice gave judgment against the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, on claim and counter-claim, involving over \$80,000, arising out of a collision in Hong Kong harbour in March, 1931, between the Japanese s.s. Toyooka Maru and the China Navigation Company's steamer Kiangsu. His Lordship said he had no hesitation in saying that the main cause, at least, of the collision was the action of the Toyooka Maru in going across the fairway into fog. He had also come to the conclusion that the Japanese ship could have avoided a collision by dropping her anchor. A full text of the finding is published in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

The Annual Race Meeting opened at Happy Valley on February 20, in brilliant weather. Times were fast and the turf was in perfect condition. However, it rained on the fourth day, but that did not in any way dampen the enthusiasm of racegoers. The Ladies' Purse was won by Mr. Y. S. Chang, his mount being King's Bounty, the favourite for the event. Several record times were broken, Doctor's Mandate doing exceptionally well in that line, lowering a record on the second day, and then beating his own record the following day! Dividends were fairly high, the biggest being \$551, for second place, and \$434 for third place. Liberty Bay (Mr. Hill up) won the Derby in a common canter. The lucky winner of the Derby first prize, \$12,000 odd, was a Chinese man. A full report of the meeting is chronicled in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

The China-Japan war is still raging, in spite of what the Powers are endeavouring to do to restore peace. Reports of a big Chinese victory over the Japanese was current in Hong Kong on February 23, and soon every Chinese citizen was celebrating the good news. Crackers were fired all over the place, and the streets were littered with red paper. Latest movements of troops in the war zone, and the grave situation in Shanghai are dealt with fully in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

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| Newcastle U.    | 14    | 11 | 1  | 2  | 38 | 16    | 24    | 14 | 4  | 9  | 1  | 20    | 34 |
| Wednesday       | 15    | 10 | 1  | 4  | 35 | 13    | 24    | 14 | 4  | 9  | 1  | 20    | 34 |
| Aston Villa     | 14    | 11 | 3  | 0  | 60 | 22    | 22    | 14 | 3  | 7  | 4  | 30    | 29 |
| Birmingham      | 15    | 10 | 1  | 4  | 35 | 13    | 24    | 14 | 3  | 10 | 1  | 18    | 31 |
| Liverpool       | 14    | 9  | 1  | 4  | 44 | 26    | 22    | 11 | 3  | 10 | 1  | 13    | 37 |
| Manchester C.   | 15    | 8  | 3  | 4  | 39 | 22    | 20    | 15 | 2  | 8  | 5  | 25    | 35 |
| Middlesbrough   | 14    | 9  | 3  | 2  | 34 | 22    | 20    | 15 | 2  | 8  | 5  | 25    | 35 |
| Blackburn R.    | 15    | 9  | 4  | 2  | 45 | 38    | 20    | 15 | 2  | 10 | 3  | 21    | 39 |
| Bolton W.       | 15    | 11 | 4  | 0  | 52 | 19    | 22    | 14 | 1  | 10 | 3  | 15    | 39 |
| Chelsea         | 15    | 9  | 4  | 0  | 30 | 19    | 18    | 15 | 4  | 10 | 1  | 21    | 35 |
| West Ham U.     | 15    | 8  | 4  | 2  | 27 | 23    | 19    | 14 | 3  | 9  | 2  | 20    | 40 |
| Portsmouth      | 14    | 9  | 4  | 1  | 19 | 16    | 19    | 14 | 2  | 9  | 3  | 18    | 35 |
| Derby C.        | 15    | 10 | 2  | 3  | 41 | 18    | 23    | 15 | 0  | 12 | 3  | 11    | 39 |
| Leicester City  | 15    | 8  | 6  | 1  | 35 | 32    | 17    | 14 | 2  | 10 | 2  | 18    | 33 |
| Sunderland      | 14    | 6  | 5  | 3  | 27 | 24    | 15    | 15 | 1  | 9  | 5  | 16    | 35 |
| Blackpool       | 15    | 7  | 6  | 2  | 29 | 29    | 16    | 14 | 1  | 12 | 1  | 11    | 52 |
| Grimby T.       | 13    | 6  | 6  | 1  | 23 | 19    | 13    | 15 | 2  | 12 | 1  | 19    | 50 |

| Second Division. |    |    |    |    |    |       |         |  |    |    |    |    |    |       |       |
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|                  | P. | W. | L. | D. | F. | Goals | A. Pts. |  | P. | W. | L. | D. | F. | Goals | Total |
|                  |    |    |    |    |    |       |         |  |    |    |    |    |    |       | Pts.  |
| Leeds United     | 14 | 9  | 2  | 3  | 27 | 13    | 21      |  | 15 | 9  | 4  | 2  | 34 | 20    | 41    |
| Wolverhampton    | 15 | 12 | 1  | 2  | 51 | 9     | 26      |  | 14 | 5  | 5  | 4  | 33 | 27    | 14    |
| Stoke City       | 14 | 11 | 0  | 3  | 35 | 10    | 25      |  | 15 | 4  | 7  | 4  | 14 | 21    | 12    |
| Bury             | 15 | 10 | 3  | 2  | 38 | 17    | 22      |  | 14 | 6  | 6  | 2  | 15 | 26    | 14    |
| Plymouth A.      | 14 | 9  | 2  | 3  | 34 | 14    | 21      |  | 15 | 5  | 5  | 5  | 22 | 15    | 36    |
| Bradford         | 15 | 13 | 2  | 1  | 44 | 24    | 27      |  | 14 | 4  | 8  | 3  | 21 | 29    | 9     |
| Millwall         | 15 | 10 | 3  | 2  | 35 | 16    | 22      |  | 14 | 3  | 7  | 4  | 16 | 31    | 10    |
| Bradford C.      | 13 | 7  | 2  | 4  | 32 | 21    | 18      |  | 15 | 5  | 6  | 4  | 23 | 29    | 14    |
| Swansea T.       | 14 | 10 | 4  | 0  | 35 | 15    | 20      |  | 15 | 4  | 9  | 2  | 21 | 32    | 10    |
| Notts County     | 14 | 7  | 4  | 3  | 32 | 20    | 17      |  | 15 | 3  | 6  | 6  | 27 | 33    | 12    |
| Notts Forest     | 15 | 7  | 4  | 4  | 32 | 22    | 18      |  | 14 | 3  | 8  | 3  | 28 | 32    | 9     |
| Tottenham H.     | 15 | 7  | 4  | 4  | 47 | 32    | 18      |  | 14 | 3  | 8  | 3  | 28 | 32    | 27    |
| Southampton      | 14 | 6  | 5  | 3  | 32 | 25    | 15      |  | 15 | 5  | 9  | 1  | 31 | 26    | 11    |
| Port Vale        | 15 | 6  | 5  | 4  | 33 | 24    | 16      |  | 14 | 4  | 8  | 2  | 23 | 40    | 10    |
| Manchester U.    | 15 | 7  | 5  | 3  | 31 | 27    | 17      |  | 14 | 3  | 9  | 2  | 18 | 34    | 8     |
| Oldham A.        | 14 | 6  | 5  | 3  | 26 | 25    | 15      |  | 15 | 2  | 8  | 5  | 14 | 29    | 9     |
| Chesterfield     | 15 | 7  | 7  | 1  | 29 | 27    | 15      |  | 14 | 2  | 7  | 5  | 15 | 34    | 9     |
| Burnley          | 14 | 5  | 4  | 5  | 25 | 25    | 15      |  | 15 | 4  | 10 | 1  | 15 | 40    | 9     |
| Preston N.E.     | 14 | 8  | 2  | 4  | 25 | 17    | 20      |  | 14 | 3  | 9  | 2  | 24 | 6     | 26    |
| Barnsley         | 15 | 6  | 4  | 5  | 23 | 19    | 17      |  | 13 | 3  | 9  | 1  | 13 | 43    | 6     |
| Charlton A.      | 13 | 4  | 5  | 4  | 19 | 21    | 12      |  | 15 | 3  | 9  | 3  | 15 | 33    | 9     |
| Bristol C.       | 15 | 2  | 8  | 5  | 12 | 23    | 9       |  | 14 | 1  | 10 | 3  | 12 | 18    | 14    |

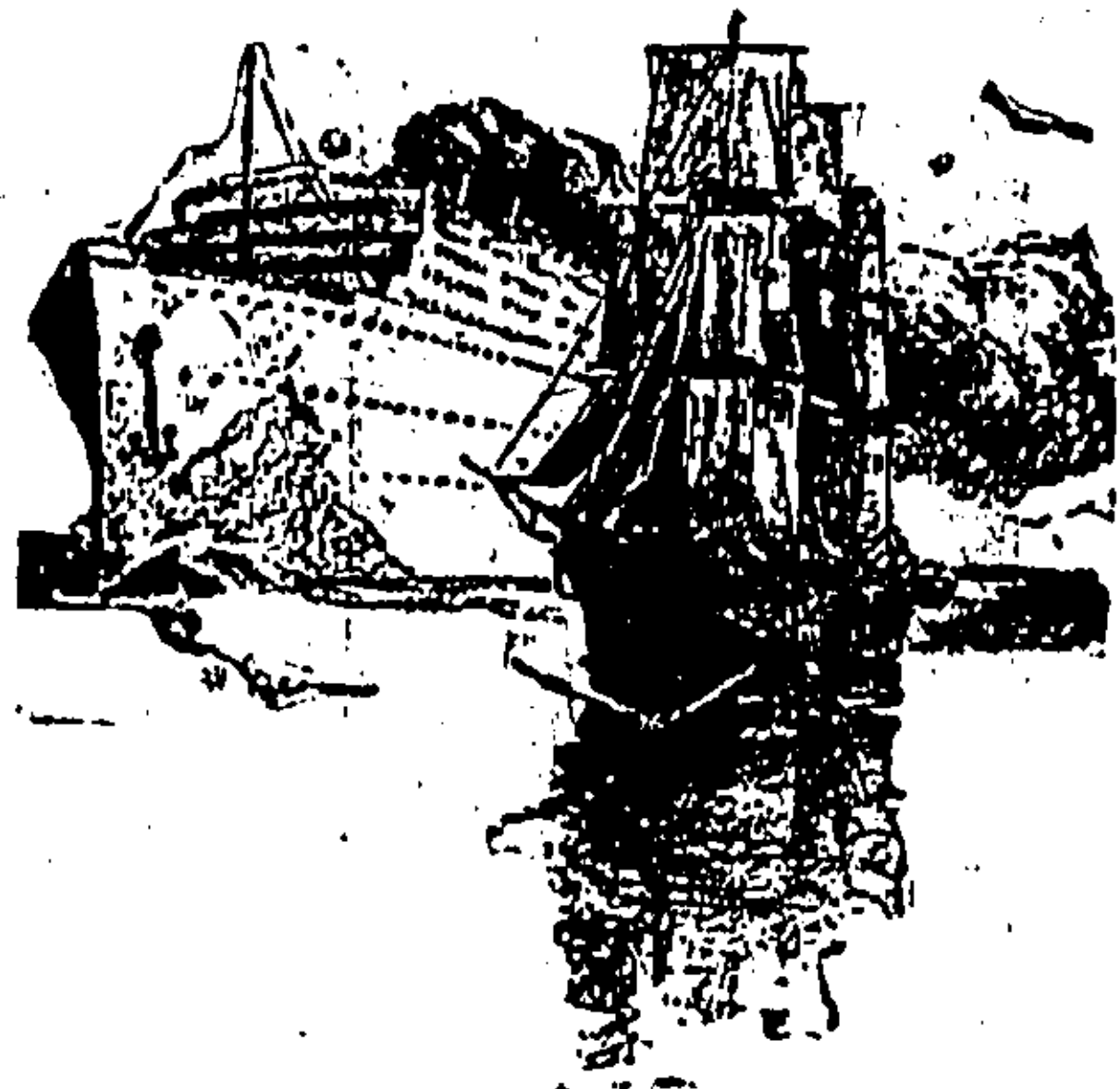
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|                         | Goals |    |    |    |    | P.    | W. | L. | D. | F. | Goals |      |    |    |    | Total<br>Pts. |
|                         | P.    | W. | L. | D. | F. |       |    |    |    |    | A.    | Pts. |    |    |    |               |
| Fulham                  | 14    | 9  | 3  | 2  | 45 | 22    | 20 | 15 | 7  | 4  | 4     | 33   | 27 | 18 | 35 |               |
| Brentford               | 13    | 7  | 2  | 4  | 24 | 12    | 18 | 15 | 8  | 4  | 3     | 26   | 21 | 19 | 37 |               |
| Exeter C.               | 15    | 11 | 1  | 3  | 38 | 12    | 25 | 14 | 5  | 7  | 2     | 21   | 34 | 12 | 37 |               |
| Reading                 | 14    | 12 | 1  | 1  | 45 | 18    | 25 | 15 | 7  | 6  | 2     | 20   | 37 | 10 | 35 |               |
| Norwich C.              | 15    | 9  | 2  | 4  | 36 | 13    | 22 | 13 | 4  | 5  | 4     | 16   | 21 | 12 | 34 |               |
| Crystal Palace          | 14    | 9  | 0  | 5  | 35 | 10    | 23 | 14 | 4  | 7  | 8     | 19   | 37 | 11 | 34 |               |
| Brighton                | 14    | 9  | 4  | 1  | 27 | 16    | 19 | 14 | 5  | 4  | 5     | 21   | 20 | 15 | 34 |               |
| Watford                 | 14    | 10 | 2  | 2  | 34 | 18    | 22 | 15 | 4  | 8  | 3     | 26   | 35 | 11 | 33 |               |
| Southend U.             | 14    | 6  | 4  | 4  | 24 | 14    | 16 | 15 | 6  | 6  | 3     | 28   | 30 | 15 | 33 |               |
| Coventry C.             | 15    | 11 | 2  | 2  | 54 | 21    | 24 | 14 | 1  | 9  | 4     | 22   | 43 | 6  | 30 |               |
| Luton T.                | 13    | 9  | 3  | 1  | 29 | 14    | 19 | 15 | 4  | 8  | 3     | 25   | 30 | 11 | 30 |               |
| Queen's Park R.         | 14    | 5  | 3  | 6  | 30 | 23    | 16 | 15 | 4  | 6  | 5     | 25   | 26 | 13 | 29 |               |
| Cardiff C.              | 14    | 9  | 4  | 1  | 48 | 25    | 19 | 14 | 2  | 9  | 3     | 18   | 32 | 7  | 26 |               |
| Bournemouth             | 14    | 5  | 5  | 4  | 27 | 25    | 14 | 15 | 4  | 8  | 3     | 21   | 32 | 11 | 25 |               |
| Mansfield T.            | 14    | 8  | 2  | 4  | 36 | 27    | 20 | 15 | 0  | 10 | 5     | 15   | 41 | 5  | 25 |               |
| Swindon Town            | 15    | 8  | 5  | 2  | 34 | 24    | 18 | 13 | 2  | 8  | 3     | 16   | 27 | 7  | 25 |               |
| Bristol R.              | 15    | 7  | 4  | 4  | 34 | 25    | 18 | 14 | 2  | 10 | 2     | 14   | 41 | 6  | 24 |               |
| Torquay U.              | 15    | 5  | 5  | 5  | 32 | 30    | 15 | 14 | 3  | 9  | 2     | 18   | 43 | 8  | 23 |               |
| Gillingham              | 14    | 6  | 5  | 3  | 18 | 16    | 15 | 14 | 2  | 10 | 2     | 14   | 33 | 6  | 21 |               |
| Clapton O.              | 15    | 4  | 5  | 6  | 26 | 28    | 14 | 12 | 3  | 8  | 1     | 18   | 30 | 7  | 21 |               |
| Northampton T.          | 14    | 5  | 6  | 3  | 21 | 19    | 13 | 15 | 3  | 10 | 2     | 13   | 31 | 8  | 21 |               |
| Thames                  | 15    | 3  | 8  | 4  | 21 | 25    | 10 | 14 | 1  | 11 | 2     | 12   | 59 | 4  | 14 |               |

| Third Division (North). |       |    |    |    |    |       |       |    |    |    |    |    |       |    |
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| HOME.                   |       |    |    |    |    | AWAY. |       |    |    |    |    |    |       |    |
|                         | P.    | W. | L. | D. | F. | A.    | P.    | W. | L. | D. | F. | A. | Total |    |
|                         | Goals |    |    |    |    | Pts.  | Goals |    |    |    |    |    | Pts.  |    |
| Lincoln City            | 15    | 14 | 1  | 0  | 53 | 7     | 28    | 15 | 8  | 5  | 2  | 30 | 15    | 46 |
| Crewe A.                | 15    | 12 | 1  | 2  | 58 | 20    | 26    | 14 | 6  | 6  | 2  | 24 | 23    | 14 |
| Gateshead               | 14    | 10 | 2  | 2  | 43 | 13    | 22    | 15 | 7  | 6  | 2  | 27 | 25    | 16 |
| Southport               | 14    | 11 | 0  | 3  | 30 | 10    | 25    | 15 | 3  | 6  | 6  | 17 | 25    | 11 |
| Chester                 | 14    | 10 | 2  | 2  | 35 | 17    | 22    | 14 | 3  | 6  | 6  | 18 | 25    | 14 |
| Tranmere R.             | 15    | 10 | 1  | 4  | 55 | 20    | 24    | 14 | 3  | 7  | 4  | 26 | 25    | 14 |
| Darlington              | 14    | 10 | 3  | 1  | 32 | 16    | 21    | 15 | 5  | 7  | 3  | 23 | 30    | 18 |
| Accrington S.           | 17    | 12 | 1  | 4  | 47 | 18    | 28    | 12 | 2  | 9  | 1  | 11 | 34    | 5  |
| Barrow                  | 13    | 9  | 3  | 1  | 39 | 16    | 19    | 15 | 7  | 8  | 0  | 19 | 22    | 14 |
| Wrexham                 | 15    | 9  | 4  | 2  | 28 | 13    | 20    | 14 | 4  | 6  | 4  | 21 | 28    | 12 |
| Hull City               | 13    | 8  | 4  | 1  | 34 | 17    | 17    | 15 | 6  | 6  | 3  | 26 | 23    | 15 |
| York City               | 15    | 10 | 3  | 2  | 30 | 19    | 22    | 14 | 3  | 7  | 4  | 19 | 24    | 9  |
| Stockport C.            | 14    | 8  | 3  | 3  | 19 | 9     | 19    | 15 | 1  | 7  | 7  | 15 | 24    | 9  |
| Walsall                 | 16    | 8  | 6  | 2  | 27 | 22    | 18    | 14 | 3  | 10 | 1  | 17 | 47    | 7  |
| Hartlepool              | 14    | 6  | 4  | 4  | 29 | 25    | 18    | 14 | 3  | 11 | 0  | 11 | 41    | 6  |
| Carlisle U.             | 14    | 6  | 2  | 6  | 29 | 17    | 18    | 15 | 1  | 10 | 4  | 21 | 42    | 6  |
| Halifax                 | 11    | 6  | 2  | 3  | 16 | 11    | 15    | 14 | 2  | 10 | 2  | 18 | 42    | 6  |
| Doncaster R.            | 14    | 7  | 5  | 2  | 24 | 22    | 16    | 13 | 2  | 10 | 1  | 13 | 31    | 5  |
| Rotherham               | 15    | 5  | 7  | 3  | 25 | 21    | 13    | 12 | 1  | 11 | 0  | 8  | 35    | 2  |
| New Brighton            | 14    | 4  | 7  | 3  | 13 | 18    | 11    | 15 | 0  | 12 | 3  | 8  | 39    | 3  |
| Rochdale                | 13    | 4  | 6  | 3  | 25 | 33    | 11    | 14 | 0  | 14 | 0  | 7  | 42    | 0  |

## SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

| First Division. |    |    |    |    |       |       |    |    |    |    |       |    |               |    |
|-----------------|----|----|----|----|-------|-------|----|----|----|----|-------|----|---------------|----|
| HOME.           |    |    |    |    |       | AWAY. |    |    |    |    |       |    |               |    |
|                 | P. | W. | L. | D. | Goals |       | P. | W. | L. | D. | Goals |    | Total<br>Pts. |    |
|                 |    |    |    |    | F.    | A.    |    |    |    |    | F.    | A. |               |    |
| Motherwell      | 14 | 13 | 0  | 1  | 57    | 9     | 27 | 16 | 10 | 2  | 4     | 44 | 18            | 51 |
| Rangers         | 16 | 14 | 1  | 2  | 56    | 11    | 28 | 12 | 8  | 2  | 2     | 25 | 16            | 18 |
| St. Mirren      | 16 | 11 | 3  | 2  | 41    | 18    | 24 | 15 | 7  | 7  | 1     | 25 | 25            | 15 |
| Third Lanark    | 16 | 11 | 2  | 1  | 43    | 20    | 23 | 17 | 6  | 9  | 2     | 29 | 48            | 14 |
| Celtic          | 14 | 10 | 2  | 2  | 51    | 11    | 22 | 15 | 4  | 6  | 5     | 22 | 22            | 18 |
| Partick T.      | 13 | 8  | 3  | 2  | 26    | 45    | 18 | 17 | 8  | 1  | 24    | 29 | 17            | 35 |
| Kilmarnock      | 15 | 11 | 2  | 2  | 41    | 17    | 24 | 15 | 3  | 7  | 5     | 16 | 38            | 35 |
| Aberdeen        | 17 | 9  | 3  | 5  | 27    | 14    | 23 | 16 | 4  | 10 | 2     | 17 | 33            | 10 |
| Dundee          | 16 | 7  | 8  | 3  | 31    | 23    | 20 | 16 | 4  | 9  | 3     | 20 | 40            | 30 |
| Hearts          | 14 | 8  | 3  | 3  | 26    | 12    | 19 | 17 | 6  | 11 | 0     | 24 | 39            | 11 |
| Cowdenbeath     | 14 | 7  | 8  | 4  | 25    | 19    | 15 | 17 | 4  | 9  | 4     | 23 | 42            | 12 |
| Hamilton A.     | 16 | 8  | 5  | 3  | 39    | 27    | 19 | 14 | 3  | 8  | 8     | 16 | 30            | 9  |
| Clyde           | 16 | 8  | 4  | 4  | 32    | 33    | 20 | 14 | 2  | 8  | 4     | 16 | 30            | 8  |
| Queen's Park    | 17 | 8  | 2  | 3  | 38    | 31    | 18 | 13 | 4  | 7  | 3     | 18 | 27            | 10 |
| Airdrieonians   | 16 | 8  | 4  | 3  | 37    | 23    | 20 | 15 | 8  | 12 | 1     | 27 | 46            | 5  |
| Morton          | 16 | 8  | 5  | 3  | 37    | 25    | 15 | 16 | 1  | 10 | 3     | 20 | 35            | 12 |
| Ayr United      | 16 | 7  | 8  | 1  | 31    | 29    | 15 | 16 | 3  | 14 | 8     | 16 | 36            | 5  |
| Falkirk         | 16 | 7  | 6  | 3  | 36    | 29    | 17 | 17 | 1  | 14 | 2     | 14 | 33            | 4  |
| Dundee U.       | 16 | 4  | 7  | 5  | 18    | 35    | 13 | 15 | 1  | 12 | 3     | 16 | 54            | 4  |
| Leith Athletic  | 16 | 8  | 10 | 0  | 21    | 35    | 12 | 15 | 0  | 12 | 8     | 17 | 64            | 3  |





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#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

The Rev. Mother Superior and her staff desire to thank the Rev. Fathers and Sisters and friends for the many kind expressions of sympathy in their recent bereavement also for the floral tributes and attendance at the funeral of Rev. Sr. Enrica Adamoli (Canossian Institute).

#### The China Mail.

Hong Kong, Friday, Feb. 26, 1932.

#### Mr. Stimson's Letter.

So many notes and so many pronouncements have been made in regard to this, that and another Power's attitude to the greatly to be deplored events in the Far East, that it will not surprise us, if, after the ripples, caused by the latest stone (in Japan it may be referred to as a "brick") cast by the hand of Mr. Stimson, have rippled to the shore and there spent themselves, the declaration, and its implications, will be forgotten and things go on, not just as they were before but from bad to worse.

What is wanted to-day, and not at some indefinite date in a vague future, is concerted action by the Powers of the world, be they signatories to this pact, treaty, covenant or what else, to substitute for a war of aggression, which has in it a potential threat to civilisation, a peace, a cessation of hostilities, a conference at which Right shall prevail over Might.

Mr. Stimson's letter to Senator Borah has been described as "one of the most important pronouncements of United States policy in the past ten years," also as "masterly," "a slashing rebuttal of Mr. Yoshizawa's feeble contention," and even as a "challenge to the Powers." It may be all these and more. It may also be, as is hinted in a cable published this morning, a "lever to induce closer co-operation with the United States in the Far East" by holding out threats of a naval building programme of dimensions, ruinous in its ultimate effect on the people of the world as a whole.

But, for all it may be, if it is not quickened with action, of the character already indicated,

and weighted with sincerity of purpose, it can only finally be regarded as one of those many gestures which, by their familiarity to-day, are coming to be regarded as contemptible.

It is only to be expected that in Japanese circles the letter should be described as a "grave mistake" and "calculated to do more harm than good." Indeed, we expect descriptions, generally speaking, are of a less polite nature in the Japanese press as a whole. What reception, the European press gives the letter will be disclosed shortly. But it will surprise us if the reception is as remarkable as it has been in the United States.

It is said to be an "open secret" that Mr. Stimson is disappointed at the failure of the Powers—Britain and France are especially indicted—to support vigorously his defence of the Nine Power Treaty. That is all very well from Mr. Stimson's point of view, but the Nine Power Treaty, in and with which Mr. Stimson is so deeply interested and concerned, is not, in our opinion, so important a factor as the League Council and the authority of the League, which Britain has pledged herself to support. There seems to us more at stake, in so far as the League is concerned, than any quillary treaty however important such a treaty may be to any one individual Power.

If the United States supported the League, as vigorously as Mr. Stimson would have liked, and wants Britain and France to support his defence of the Nine Power Treaty, the greater would be, and would have been, the results of League action. By keeping aloof from this body, which owes so much of its existence to an United States President and United States opinion of that day, the Government, on behalf of which Mr. Stimson has made an "important pronouncement" of policy, is making less effective League authority and embarrassing its work for civilisation as a whole.

As to the threat of a re-start of a naval building programme—armaments war—at which price closer co-operation is to be purchased by the United States, there is no need to use a more expressive adjective than "unfortunate" in connection with it.

### ROUND THE POLICE COURTS.

#### Bank Shroff On Trial—Robbery And Theft.

Chan Cheung-nam, a shroff of the Mercantile Bank, appeared before Mr. Wynne-Jones yesterday afternoon on charges of conspiracy to rob \$6,828.85, and of theft from the person of the complainant, a retired Chinese merchant from America of \$8,825. Detective Sergeant D. C. W. Fitches prosecuted, whilst Mr. A. E. Hall was for the defendant. After hearing evidence his Worship adjourned the case.

#### Cook Commended.

Appearing before Mr. Schofield on a charge of the theft of two hair ornaments, valued at \$50, from a Chinese woman in Queen's Road West, an unemployed seaman was sentenced to six months' hard labour with 20 strokes of the birch. A Chinese, employed as a cook aboard the s.s. Paul Beau, was commended by the Magistrate for his action in having brought a criminal to justice and protecting a woman.

#### Russian Pilgrim.

Stephen Rovensky, a young Russian, who previously came to Hong Kong on a pilgrimage then to Palestine, was brought before Mr. Wynne-Jones charged with entering the Colony without a valid passport.

#### Watchman's Lapse.

Mr. Wynne-Jones imposed a fine of \$25 or three weeks' jail on Gulam Mohamed, a watchman, who, pleaded guilty to the possession of a quantity of tobacco on which duty had not been paid.

### LAI D TO REST.

#### Rev. Sr. Enrica Adamoli.

We regret to learn of the death from heart failure, of the Rev. Sr. Enrica Adamoli (Canossian Institute) which occurred at the Canossa Hospital on Wednesday night.

The funeral took place yesterday at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, and was attended by a large number of friends and the staff from all the different institutions.

The Very Rev. Father Spada M.A., in the absence of Bishop H. Valtorta, officiated at the graveside, assisted by the Rev. Fathers of the Roman Catholic Cathedral. Among those present to pay their respects to the deceased were: the Salesian Fathers, Fathers of the French Precaution, Spanish Fathers, Jesuit Fathers, Maryknoll Fathers, the Christian Brothers, the Sisters of St. Paul's Institution, Sisters of the Precious Blood, Maryknoll Sisters, Sisters of the Immaculate Conception, the pupils of the Convent, the Italian Consul, Dr. Pfister, Hon. Mr. Braga, Mr. F. X. D'Almada e Castro, Mr. Gonella, Mr. Vannini, Mr. Mose.

Wreaths were sent by Dr. Pfister, Mr. and Mrs. Vannini, Mr. and Mrs. De Dion, Drs. Ma Luk Wong, Ma and Koh, Mr. U. Gonella, Mr. and Mrs. Mose, Miss Murray, and the staff of the Canossa Hospital.

### News in Brief.

Lowest open air temperature yesterday was 46°. Humidity at 10 a.m. was 54, and at 4 p.m. 51.

H.M.S. Berwick arrived from Shanghai at 8.45 this morning and is now lying at the No. 6 buoy in the Naval anchorage.

A highly successful fancy dress carnival dance was held in the new West Wing lounge of the Y.M.C.A. building last night. Dance music was provided by Mr. G. W. E. True's "Cheero" orchestra. Mr. J. C. M. Grenham, Secretary of the Social Committee, fulfilled the duties of Master of Ceremonies.

The annual meeting of the Hong Kong Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society will be held in the Helena May Institute on Monday, March 7, at 8.30 p.m. Tea will be served at 4.45 p.m. The Bishop of Victoria will be the Chairman, and the speakers will be Dr. W. P. Macmillan, Minister of the Bible, Presbyterian Church, New York, and Dr. Rufus M. Jones, Ph.D., Professor of Philosophy at Harvard College.

### A HARD WOMAN

#### HER SOLDIERLY LYING IN STATE.

"She Wor Towf."

By T. Thompson.

Mrs. Greenhalgh wiped her steaming hands and gently opened the door of the bedroom. "Han yo nearly finished?" she whispered. "Come in an' see how it looks," answered Mrs. Randal. "Ah've done th' best Ah con for her." "It looks like a little chapel," said Mrs. Greenhalgh; "hoo'd ha' looked for nowt better. Hoo liked things plain and no fuss." "That's what Ah thowt," said Mrs. Randal; "hoo were a hard woman."

"Hoo wor that," said Mrs. Greenhalgh; "Ah've mopped th' stairs fro top to bottom." "We all han to do eawr bit at times like these," said Mrs. Randal. "They'n collected six an' tenpence hawpenny fro th' neighbours," said Mrs. Greenhalgh; "flowers are middlin' chep just now." "Ah reckon they are," said Mrs. Randal.

The tiny room at the top of the cottage stairs was almost oppressive with the fragrance of lilies. The two women had cleaned the place through, and Mrs. Randal had arranged the scantily furnished bedroom to her own conception of what was fitting. The curtained window spared little of the dying light of the day, and in the gloom the chamber seemed strangely beautiful. The small dressing-table held two brass candlesticks flanked with old-fashioned jugs containing flowers. It did look something like an altar. The two women stood in silhouette beside the bed. Mrs. Randal lifted the napkin. "Th' neighbours'll want to see her in th' morning," she said. "Hoo looks like hoo's allus looked," said Mrs. Greenhalgh; "proud, an' hard, an' full o' pluck." "There wor nowt as freetened her," said Mrs. Randal. "There wor not that," said Mrs. Greenhalgh.

They closed the door behind them and went softly down the stairs. "Ah reckon as yo'll be here again first thing in th' morning," said Mrs. Greenhalgh. "Aye," said Mrs. Randal; "somebody'll ha' to be here. Hoo doesn't seem to have a soul belonging to her. But hoo's left everything as hoo wanted it. Money for this an' money for that. Hoo's left th' pay for what we've been doing this afternoon, hoo wor: that feared o' being hewdowed to anybody when hoo wor gone." "Ah shall spend it in flowers," said Mrs. Greenhalgh. "An' me too," said Mrs. Randal; "we can be independent too."

The next morning Mrs. Randal came early and spread newspapers on the stairs, and made a gangway with them round the bed. As soon as it was decently time the neighbours came in to pay their tribute. Mrs. Greenhalgh and Mrs. Randal received them as was their due, having done the work. "It wor strange," said Mrs. Mee, "her being a hard woman, how everybody fetched her in time of trouble." "She never failed anybody," said Mrs. Randal. "She did not," said Mrs. Mee.

"Ah remember," said Mrs. Kenyon, "when Jack Benson fell drunk out of the back of his trap and split his nose tip to tip hoo wor there afore th' doctor, an' had it washed and plastered into summat like a nose when he come. He says, 'Did it make you sick?' an' she just grinned at him scornful. He says, 'You've got guts in you, woman,' an' she said, 'Td be quare if 'Ah hadn't.'"

Ah said "Thank yo' hoo said 'Stop thi mouth or Ah'll stop it for thee,' an' hoo'd goo whoam in a reet trap."

"It would ha' bin nice," said Mrs. Greenhalgh, "if a few children had a come to see her. It puts a proper finish on a job o' this soort if there's a chilt wi' a bunch o' flowers. Rounds it off like. But hoo seemed to ha' no love for children. Yo' never did see her patten' one on th' head, or cuttin' it a butty."

"Hoo stopped up two neets an' a day wi' Bill Wood's child when it wor bad," said Mrs. Randal. "He, towf me 'Yon woman's made o' cast-iron, hoo's moan human—but eawr little Rachel wouldn't a bin here but for her." Hoo could be that gentle—it looks impossible for them greight gaunt hands to have so gentle a touch.

"They wornt allus gentle," said Mrs. Greenhalgh. "Do yo remember that Sunday morning when those three Irishmen coom striding up an' down this street wanting to feight th' best mon in it? It seems they'd bin havin' a bit of a do th' neet before. Hoo just went out to 'em, slapped one across th' chops, an' jowed t'other two their yeds. An' they took it like sugar candy."

"What Ah says about her is," said Mrs. Roe, "an' if Ah cannot say summat good about anybody Ah keeps mi' thrap shut, an' there's a lot o' foak in these days as like to toot about an' find owt wrong if they can, but Ah'm noan one o' that soart, thank God, an' if Ah'm wi' anybody as is Ah keeps 'em in their place, for once a lie's started yo' never know where it'll get to before it finishes. Them's my principles an' yo can tak' 'em or leave 'em. Ah mun get back now an' put th' kettle on."

Mrs. Randal pointed to the bed. "If hoo'd known as Mrs. Roe wor here, hoo'd ha' turned her back on th' lot of us."

"Tatlin' Matty," said Mrs. Greenhalgh. "Hoo'll be on th' front row at th' buryin', but when summat wants doin' Mrs. Roe's not there."

"Dosta think," asked Mrs. Randal, "as we should put one o' them flowers in her hand?"

"Naw," said Mrs. Greenhalgh. "Hoo wor happiest when hoo had th' rym'pon in her hand, or a rag to tee-up a cut finger, or a basin o' gruel, or a fistful o' reight hard work. Hoo wor a hard woman, and hoo'd thank us noan for any mee-mawin'. If we put her away wi'out any fuss, that'll suit her."

Mrs. Randal lifted the napkin. "They're not folk as anybody can tak' to straight away," she said, "but God knows just what He's doin' when He dots one here an' one there—just wheer they're wanted. Everybody's trouble knocked on her door."

"She wor towf," said Mrs. Greenhalgh. — Manchester Guardian.

### Ten Years Ago

(From the "China Mail" of February 26, 1922.)

To-day's dollar is worth 2/4.13/6.

A Chinese was charged before Magistrate Wood on Saturday with having been a member of the Tung Tak Coolies Guild which was recently declared to be an unlawful society by the Government, in consequence of its participation in the strike. The defendant was arrested in the street on Friday, having in his possession a badge of the Guild. His story to the Magistrate was that he was no longer a member as he had been expelled from the guild for not having complied with the guild's instructions to go to Canton. He had, he said, worked contrary to the guild orders for the past six days. The Magistrate remanded the case for Inspector Watt to verify what an "old fool" Ah when the defendant's statement.



## TALKIE TALKS.

by  
DianeTHE VISIT OF RICHARD  
BARTHELMESS

A NEW BRITISH FIND.

Richard Cromwell Will Astonish  
In "To'able David."

From a picture point of view, everything pales into insignificance by the fact that we have in our midst to-day one of the greatest luminaries of that industry—RICHARD BARTHELMESS, whose work on the screen has pleased and thrilled millions for fifteen years. I have seen him in all manner of picture-houses in every quarter of the globe. I remember "Broken Blossoms," "Way Down East," "To'able David," "The Enchanted Cottage," "Patent-leather Kid," "The Noose"—Yes, I can go back all those years. And I find but one star who has never let a picture down. There was a time when the stories were poor. Admitted, but that was not the fault of the star. He has always given of his best. He survived that critical period, when others fell by the way, and now we have memories of "Sons of the Gods," "Drug," "Young Nowheres," "Weary River," "Dawn Patrol," and so on, down a long list, which contains few poor pictures, and mostly great ones. I say, emphatically, that Richard Barthelmess is incapable of inferior work. Why has this star succeeded when and where others have failed? Because, with him, the story comes first, and he gives full share of honours to the director and the cast. Again, he has never been afraid to surround himself with first-rate players. Take "Dawn Patrol." He sacrificed himself to the other men, Fairbanks (jun.) and Neil Hamilton, but yet he remained the outstanding figure. Is it just good luck that has kept him a world favourite all these years? Or is it his personality? I think it is mostly the plain unvarnished truth, that he is a great actor, a good business man, and the lucky possessor of superior intelligence, combined with a fund of knowledge of this industry from its earliest days, through all its stages, to the almost perfect condition in which we now find it. When he comes to a halt as an actor, I prophesy that he will make as great a director, and I want to see that famous name for years to come. He ranks among the "First Big Six" in pictures, and First National pay him the tidy sum of \$500,000 a year for two pictures, and the privilege of choosing his own stories.

And now to the man himself. I had heard that he hated interviews before lunch time, and that it was asking the impossible to make him talk about himself. I assure you that he is one of the most courteous, thoughtful and considerate of men. I interviewed him, and it all happened before he went off to see the Chinese ponies race at Happy Valley. He is thrilled with this lovely city, and thinks the drive to Repulse Bay hard to equal anywhere in the world. He does not like shopping, as a rule, but the native curio shops have fascinated him. He hopes to go to Canton before leaving for Saigon, and continue leisurely homeward via Suez, to start work in April.

Mr. Barthelmess does not favour a climate that is Summer all the year round, so he travels extensively in between pictures. The capitals of Europe are as an open book to him. He delights to motor in the Austrian Tyrol; to climb in Switzerland and Bavaria, to walk in the Black Forest, or the Canadian Woods; and to fish off Florida or Bermuda. But he says there is nothing to beat sailing. And he owns a beautiful yacht. Golf leaves him cold, but he plays a great deal of tennis, and is keen on football, but not baseball. He rides a great deal and reads only biographies and histories—(sometimes, too, his enormous "fan" mail. He never attends premieres, if he can avoid it; and is the last person who seeks self-advertisement. I find him most unassuming, and unpretentious.

I told him that we could not exactly be blamed because we are thrilled to meet him. Great stars do not grow up to us, we go to them. But now, if my informant, I should have known, who knew him well, for he would

only talk of the children. He has two at home in California. And how he adores them! Also, he thinks, as I do, that there is something wrong with the person who does not like animals. The war in Shanghai has upset plans a bit, but he and his wife, a charming woman, are glad to have the opportunity of staying at the Repulse Bay Hotel for a week. He is a grand listener, and I should imagine possess a keen sense of humour. Who will forget that ironic twist to his mouth? He regretted that the rain might spoil his visit, but he likes to see things from all aspects.

He started work as an extra in "War Brides" with Nazimova, and made a name for himself. It was whilst travelling to Europe, in 1926, that he met his present wife. A British Drama, "The Rosary," said to be one of the best of its kind, is showing at the (Queen's). The next change is "Guilty Hands," with magnificent acting by Lionel Barrymore. Years ago I saw this man in Ibanez's "Enemies of Women," and I thought then, that he ranked far above his more famous brother John. He did not think so, nor did the world, and so he was lost behind a megaphone till "Free Soul" showed that he is now the King of the Royal Family of Broadway. In this picture by Bayard Veiller, we see a murder mystery, and there are thrills galore. Kay Francis is second only to the star, and Madge Evans is delightful. Miss a Lionel Barrymore picture now, at your peril. (Queen's).

"The Silver Horde" by Rex Beach, which is another adventure of the shady lady, Cherry Melotte, with a grand performance turned in by Evelyn Brent, not over-shadowing the work of the late Louis Wolheim. Joel McCrea shows signs of being new to pictures, but he is a likeable hero, and Jean Arthur goes on improving. It is well acted throughout, with magnificent photography. (Queen's).

I remember the first woman who had the temerity to smoke, drink and eat under water—the never-to-be-forgotten Annette Kellerman. Now local audiences are being treated to these same astounding feats by the World champion Legless Wonder, "Zimmy," who shows us how to overcome a terrible handicap. With this attraction we have a rather sordid drama, "Ladies of the Big House," in which Sylvia Sydney covers herself with glory, and Gene Raymond is likely to make the feminine hearts flutter. If you like this type of story it will appeal. It is strong drama. (King's).

On March 2 there will be four Special Shows in Aid of the Chinese Refugees (at the King's Theatre), thanks to the courtesy of the generous management. At 2.30 McLaglen in "Sea Beneath," 5.10 Maurice Chevalier in "Smiling Lieutenant," 7.20 "Women of all Nations," and at 9.30 the British picture "Plunder." (King's).

"Bed and Breakfast" (British) with Marian Davies in one of her best comedies to date. "Bachelor Father" and "Harmony Heaven" are coming next week to the Star.

Charming simplicity and Ruth Chatterton's acting are sufficient to justify "Once A Lady." The story is an old one, but Miss Chatterton has never looked more beautiful. (King's).

Nell Hamilton, Una Merkel and Albert Gran give us comedy of a burlesque order in "The Command Performance." It is chock-full of laughs, and splendidly acted and directed. (Central).

"Cavities" (British film) "Vivian Richards with the song single, and the same 'I have an idea' expression. To my

## LOCAL MUSICIANS.

Meeting Decides to  
Recommence Activities

OF ORCHESTRAL SOCIETY.

A meeting which was attended by a number of local musicians was held at the offices of Messrs. Tsang Fook, Ice House Street, last evening, for the purpose of recommencing the activities of the Hong Kong Orchestral Society.

Mr. F. Mason presided and a feature of the meeting was the enthusiasm of those who attended. It was decided that rehearsals should be held every Tuesday evening, at 8.30 p.m., at the St. John's Cathedral Hall, kindly placed at their disposal by the Dean. The first rehearsal is to be held on March 1.

It was also decided to enlarge the scope of the Society, which was originally formed as a string orchestra, and invite players of any instrument, string and wind, to join the Society.

A committee was appointed, consisting of the following members:—

Hon. Conductor, Mr. F. Mason; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. H. C. Leong; Hon. Librarian, Mrs. G. W. R. Griggs; Committee, Mrs. G. W. R. Griggs, Mrs. M. H. Arnold and Mr. E. O. Schroter.

Mr. Mason appealed for more members, and suggested that those present canvass personally for more players.

The annual subscription was fixed at \$5.

HONG KONG AND  
SHANGHAI BANKING  
CORPORATION.Annual Meeting on  
Saturday.

Shareholders are reminded that to-morrow (Saturday, February 27) at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon the Bank's annual meeting will take place at the Head Office, No. 1, Queen's Road Central.

mind she is the worst dressed Parisienne I have ever seen on the stage, but who am I to quibble about such trifles? She is adored in London. Tom Walls makes up for lack of good looks, by being perfectly natural. The others help things along, and the dialogue is sparkling. When you see who wrote it, Frederick Lonsdale, there is no need to say that he gives his usual twist to the end of the story. (King's).

"Tarzan the Tiger," far-fetched and all as it is, has a certain appeal. We shall have the pleasure of the old serials again, and Natalie Kingston, Frank Merrill and Al Ferguson will carry on for eight chapters. It is now recorded in sound and Universal has made it as thrilling as before. (Central).

Richard Cromwell will astonish you in "To'able David," and, on the best authority, rumour has it that the first great David (Richard Barthelmess) was really pleased with this unknown lad's performance. The young actor gives a sincere, natural, artless performance. Noah Beery, and Joan Peers are in the large cast of supporting players, all doing their best, and the Talkie version, though not on a par with the original, is well worth seeing. (Central).

Billie Dove, the beautiful, showing signs that she has studied voice culture while absent from the screen, returns in "The Age for Love." Charles Sturtevant, Lois Wilson and Mary Duncan will give you a bright evening's entertainment. (Central).

## HOLLYWOOD GOSSIP.

There are just two items of interest.

Greta Garbo has given the greatest performance of her career in "Mata Hari," and will stay in pictures. Rhinoceros states she has signed to do a G.M. revival of her contract. Miss Lillian is said to have recently married (for the first time) a new man named Gilbert Watson, aged 22. Long life and happiness to them both.

## COUNCIL MEETING.

Estate Duty Bill Now  
Law.

REFORMATORY SCHOOLS.

Referred to the Standing Law Committee in consequence of Chinese representatives, the Estate Duty Bill was presented in a re-drafted and re-printed form at yesterday afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council. The Bill, as presented yesterday, incorporated amendments recommended by the Committee, and was approved by the meeting. It substituted the earlier Bill which had been read a first and second time.

Speaking with regard to this Bill, in committee, the Hon. Attorney-General said:—

The Standing Law Committee recommended certain typographical changes and also the re-printing of clause 21 of the Bill to meet the representations which had been made on behalf of many Chinese by the Hon. Dr. Kotewall. The re-draft gives all the protection that the Estate Duty Commissioner requires and makes the clause clearer. The Committee recommended that the Bill, with the amendments recommended by them, should be reprinted according to the Standing Orders, and substituted for the Bill which was read a second time. It has been reprinted with those amendments, and copies are in the hands of all members. I therefore move that this Bill be substituted for the Bill which was read a second time, in accordance with Standing Orders.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Council went into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

It passed through Committee without material amendment, was read a third time and passed.

## The Other Bills.

Moving the first reading of a new Bill, intitled "An Ordinance to provide for and regulate Industrial and Reformatory Schools the Hon. Attorney-General said:—

This Bill repeals the Reformatory Schools Ordinance, 1901, and substitutes new provisions closely modelled on the English law and the Straits Settlements Ordinance. The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

The following Bills passed through their final stages:—

"A Bill to amend the Po Leung Kuk Incorporation Ordinance, 1899."

"A Bill to amend the Chinese Temples Ordinance, 1928."

With regard to "A Bill to amend the Foreshores and Sea Bed Ordinance," the Attorney-General moved that the second reading should not be taken yesterday.

STEAM SHOVEL UPROOTS  
RICH TREASURE

## BURIED BY OREGON PUPILS.

50 Years Ago.

Portland, Ore.—Buried treasure, theme of many a romantic tale, has been found in the heart of Portland and during the time of those who buried it. No expedition of explorers unearthed it. No musty map guided its discoverers to the spot where it lay enmeshed in the roots of a pine tree. But treasure, none the less, of a variety to set hearts beating swiftly and to bring in its wake plans for reunion, of old friends and renewal of acquaintanceship.

The discoverer was a steam shovel, which is making the excavation for the new Portland Art Museum on land which 50 years ago was the site of the old Portland High School. The treasure chests are metal boxes and tubes, buried by high school graduating classes 50 years ago beneath the trees they planted. Valuable and prizes of youthful days were placed therein.

One box, decomposed by underground moisture and broken by the pressure of roots, fell apart, then taken from the debris, it contained a gold watch, a ring and a small box of a silver dollar and two tiny dolls, a seven-inch model of the old high school building, a tin of paint and a tin of putty. A letter, dated 1882, was found in the box, and it was found that the treasure was buried by the class of 1882, which is expected to bring back many whose homes are now far away from Portland—Christian Science Monitor.

miniature horseshoe, a full-sized horseshoe nail, a fibre napkin ring, several old coins and a copy of a newspaper, dated Dec. 29, 1884. Rich treasure! Valued then by the high school boys and girls who placed it there, and stirring golden memories now in those same breasts. Valuable because the unearthed boxes will be the inspiration for a semi-centennial reunion of members of the class of 1884, which is expected to bring back many whose homes are now far away from Portland—Christian Science Monitor.

RIVIERA GAMBLERS GO ON  
STRIKE.

Gamblers at the big table of one of the casinos in Nice have gone on strike owing to a rise in prices. Recently the banker, who runs an open bank at the casino, raised the minimum stakes from 20 francs to 40. After losing \$11,000 between them in two nights' play, bankers demanded that the stakes should be reduced to the previous level. The bankers refused whereupon the strikers went on strike, and took their money to other tables.

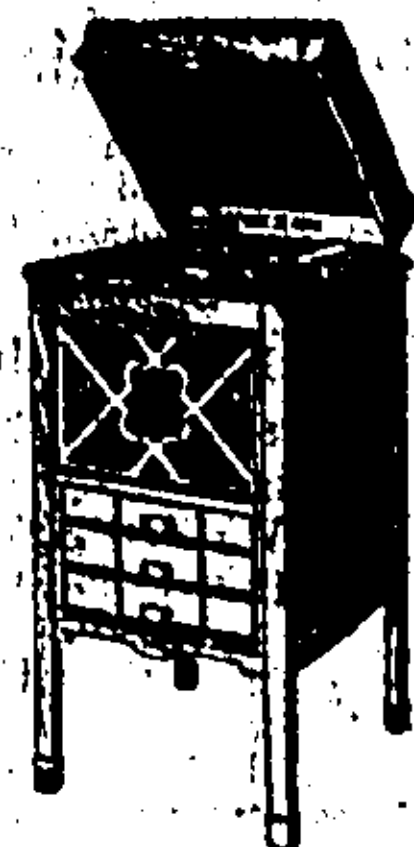
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C. C. CLARKE, Manager.

Hong Kong, February 25, 1932.

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F. V. JENSEN, Superintendent.

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## SPORTS NOTICES.

### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

**ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1932**  
20th, 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 27th February, 1932.

ON SATURDAY 20th, MONDAY 22nd, TUESDAY 23rd, and WEDNESDAY 24th February, the first bell will be rung at 11 a.m., and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Saturday, the 27th February, the first bell will be rung at 1 p.m., and the first race will be run at 1.30 p.m. The tiffin interval will be taken after the fifth race on the first four days.

### MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members are reminded that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed. No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively), are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course. A limited number of Tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, Telephone No. 21920.

On no pretext will children be permitted to either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

### PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$4.00 per day including tax for all persons, including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure. **SERVANTS' PASSES.** Passes for Servants will be issued on application to the Secretary, 3rd Floor, Gloucester Building. Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes.

Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties, but must remain in their employers' stands.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the enclosure.

By Order,

C. R. BROWN, Secretary.

Hong Kong, 8th February, 1932.

## HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 27th February, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1931.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 15th February, to SATURDAY, the 27th February, 1932 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
V. M. GRAYBURN,  
Chief Manager.  
Hong Kong, 8th February, 1932.

## HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Annual Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 29th February, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY 18th February, to MONDAY, 29th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.  
Hong Kong, 10th February, 1932.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd February to 2nd March, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
M. MANUK, Secretary.  
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## THE HONG KONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

### NOTICE OF SHAREHOLDERS.

**THE FORTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING** of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 10th March, 1932, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 1st March, 1932, to THURSDAY, the 10th March, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
F. H. CRAPNELL, Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 22nd February, 1932.

**PINKETTES**  
RAPIDLY  
CHECK  
BILIOUS  
ATTACKS.

## COMPANY MEETINGS

### THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED.

(Incorporated in Hong Kong)

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of The Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company March, 1932, at the BOARD ROOM of the Company, Second Floor, Exchange Building, Hong Kong, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended on the 31st December, 1931, confirming the appointment of a Director and re-electing a Director and the Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, the 2nd March, 1932, until Friday, the 18th March, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
F. C. BARRY, Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 27th January, 1932.

### THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED.

### NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of The Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, will be held at Exchange Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, the Eighteenth day of March, 1932, at 11.30 in the forenoon immediately after the Annual General Meeting of the Company, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions:—

1. That the authorised Capital of the Company (which is now \$10,000,000.00 divided into 1,000,000 Shares of \$10.00 each, of which the whole have been issued) be increased from \$10,000,000.00 consisting as aforesaid of 1,000,000 Shares of the nominal value of \$10.00 each by the creation of 600,000 New Shares of the nominal value of \$10.00 each.

2. That in the first instance 200,000 of the said New Shares be offered at par (in the proportion of one New Share for every five Old Shares held by them respectively) to the persons who on the eighteenth day of March, 1932, are registered in the Company's Share Register as the holders of the 1,000,000 Old Shares and so that on acceptance of such offer the full nominal amount due in respect of such 200,000 New Shares shall be payable on the 30th day of June, 1932, and that on acceptance of such offer and on payment in manner aforesaid such shares so taken up shall rank as from the 1st day of July, 1932, for dividend and in all other respects pari passu with the shares constituting the Company's present issued Capital, and that any of the said 200,000 New Shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's Shareholders in manner aforesaid be disposed of at such time or times in such manner and upon such terms and conditions as the Company's Board of Directors shall think fit.

3. That such offer be made by notice specifying the number of shares to which the Member is entitled and limiting the time within which the offer if not accepted by the Member on behalf of himself or his nominee will be deemed to be declined and that the Directors be at liberty to fix such time and to extend it to such date as they may think fit.

4. That the balance of 800,000 Shares constituting the Company's unissued Capital be issued at such time or times in such manner and for such purposes and upon such terms and conditions in every respect as the Company's Board of Directors may decide.

**AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN** that the before mentioned Extraordinary General Meeting will be continued for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following Resolution as an Extraordinary Resolution:—

5. That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following:—

(a) By the insertion immediately after Article No. 126 of the existing Articles of Association of the two following

### HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 9th day of March, 1932, at the BOARD ROOM of the Company, Second Floor, Exchange Building, Hong Kong, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the Financial Year ended 31st December, 1931, and re-electing Two Directors and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to 2nd March, 1932, both days inclusive.

Dated this 15th day of February, 1932.

By Order of the Board,  
W. L. MCKENZIE, Secretary.  
14, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong.

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**AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN** that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company will be held at Noon at the same place on the Fourth day of April, 1932, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the last above mentioned meeting and of confirming if thought fit as a Special Resolution the before mentioned resolution numbered 5 herein.

Dated this 27th day of January, 1932.

By Order of the Board,  
F. C. BARRY, Secretary.

## LAMMERT BROS.

AUCTIONEERS, APPRAISERS AND SURVEYORS.

### Public Auctions—

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON  
MONDAY, February 29, 1932, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Room, 4, Duddell Street.

A Quantity of  
**VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.**

Comprising:—Teak Hatstands, Chesterfield Couches and Armchairs, Curio Cabinets, Bookcase, Desks, Tables, Pictures, Carpets, Rugs, Curtains, Bed Sheets, Linens, etc., etc. Teak Extension Dining Tables, Dining Chairs, Teak Wardrobes with Bevelled Mirrors, Teak Sideboards, Teak Dressing Tables, Chest of Drawers, Teak Glass Cabinets, etc., etc.

Teak and Brass Bedsteads, Cabinet Gramophones, Records, Crockery, Glass Ware, Brass Ware, Screens, Cabin Trunks, Table Lamps, Vases, Ice Chests, Teak Filling Cabinet, Fire Screens, etc., etc.

and  
A Quantity of  
**BLACKWOOD FURNITURE**

including:—Joss Tables, Tea Poy, Chests, Opium Stools, Jardinieres, Tables, etc., etc.

also  
2 Cottage Pianos.

On View from Saturday, February 27, 1932.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

Catalogues will be issued.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.  
Hong Kong, February 25, 1932.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON  
TUESDAY, March 1, 1932, commencing at 10.30 a.m., at No. 1, Felix Villa, Pokfulam.

A Quantity of  
**VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.**

On View from Monday, February 29, 1932.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.  
Hong Kong, February 23, 1932.

## GENERAL NOTICES.

### THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

### NOTICE.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Scrip Certificate No. 5235, dated 4th November, 1904, for one Share No. 7596 in the name of Mr. ROBERT ERNEST HUMPHREYS of Manila, has been LOST, and should same not be produced before the 10th March, 1932, a new Certificate will be issued to the said Mr. ROBERT ERNEST HUMPHREYS, and no transaction taking place under the old Scrip Certificate will be recognised by the Company.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LIMITED.  
General Managers.  
Hong Kong, 25th February, 1932.

## NOTICE.

All Firms, Associations, Clubs, etc., who have not yet sent in the particulars of their concerns for

the 1932 issue of the Hong Kong Dollar Directory are requested to forward the necessary information to the publishers without delay.

The HONG KONG DOLLAR DIRECTORY CO.,  
China Mail Building,  
3A, Wyndham Street.

## WHERE THE MONEY GOES.

Votes Totalling \$58,418 Passed.

### ANTI-JAPANESE RIOT SEQUEL.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, which followed the meeting of the Legislative Council, yesterday afternoon, votes totalling \$58,418 were approved.

Of this amount, \$33,633 was in connection with the 1931 Estimates and 24,785 in connection with the current Estimates.

The biggest item in connection with the 1932 Estimates was one of \$20,000 in connection with last year's anti-Japanese riots. The details were as follows:—

Allowances to Police Reserve \$2,692

Allowance to Volunteers .. 804

Expenditure by Naval Authorities .. 2,636

Expenditure by Military Authorities .. 2,237

Travelling Expenses including motor-bus and car hire .. 7,306

Board and lodgings for guards, meals and refreshments .. 1,951

Sundry expenses .. 405

Contingencies .. 1,879

\$20,000

### A CHINESE MAID.

Picturesque Report from Manchuria.

A Chinese "Maid of Orleans," in the shape of a young girl mounted on a white horse and leading 400 Chinese irregular troops into the fray, recently made her appearance in the Manchurian theatre of war, according to Press statements, which add that the troops following her banner are distinguished by conspicuous bravery and discipline.

## WATER RETURN.

All the Reservoirs on Island Below Level.

The level and storage of water in the reservoirs on January 1, 1932, were as under:—

City and Hill District.

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Tydam .. 23' 8" 2' 2"

Tydam Byewash .. 21' 4" 23' 10"

Tydam Intermediate .. 0' 2" 26' 0"

Tydam Tuk .. 17' 1" 18' 8"

Wong Nei Chung .. 17' 8" 18' 4"

Pokfulam .. 17' 1" 18' 4"

Aberdeen Upper .. 10' 8"

Aberdeen Lower .. 10' 8"

[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow," A. denotes "Above Overflow," L. denotes "Level with Overflow," Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

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|--|--------------------------|
| SAN FRANCISCO via Shanghai, Japan Ports & Honolulu.                              |                          |
| SHINYO MARU  | Tuesday, 8th March.      |
| CHICHIBU MARU  | Wednesday, 23rd March.   |
| SEATTLE, VANCOUVER via Shanghai & Japan Ports.                                   |                          |
| HIKAWA MARU  | Tuesday, 1st March.      |
| HIYE MARU  | Tuesday, 20th March.     |
| LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP & ROTTERDAM via Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Suez.   |                          |
| HARUNA MARU  | Saturday, 5th March.     |
| KATORI MARU  | Saturday, 19th March.    |
| SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Port.  |                          |
| KITANO MARU  | Saturday, 27th February. |
| ATSUTA MARU  | Saturday, 20th March.    |
| MANILA.  |                          |
| SHINYO MARU  | Wednesday, 2nd March.    |
| BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.   |                          |
| TOTTORI MARU   | Sunday, 28th February.   |
| KAGA MARU  | Friday, 11th March.      |
| SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.  |                          |
| RAKUYO MARU  | Thursday, 17th March.    |
| NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.   |                          |
| TOBA MARU  | Monday, 11th April.      |
| LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Beyrouth, Stamboul (Constantinople), Pevaeus and Genoa. |                          |
| LYONS MARU   | Monday, 14th March.      |
| CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Hongkong.                                       |                          |
| RANGOON MARU   | Monday, 29th February.   |
| NAGATO MARU  | Tuesday, 8th March.      |
| SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.   |                          |
| HAKODATE MARU (Moll direct)  | Saturday, 27th February. |
| TANGO MARU (Kobe direct)   | Sunday, 28th February.   |
| YASUKUNI MARU  | Friday, 4th March.       |
| + Cargo only.  |                          |

For further information apply to:—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
Telephone 30291. (Private exchange to all departments.)

## O. S. K.

SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

|  |              |        |           |
|--|--------------|--------|-----------|
| RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Capetown.   | Santos Maru  | Thurs. | 24th Mar. |
| MOMBASA, ZANZIBAR, DAR ES-SALAAM, BEIRA, LOURENCO MARQUES, DURBAN, PORT ELIZABETH & CAPE TOWN THENCE TO RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES via Singapore & Colombo. | Arizona Maru | Mon.   | 7th Mar.  |
| BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, AUCKLAND & WELLINGTON via Manila.   | Sydney Maru  | Sat.   | 5th Mar.  |
| JAPAN PORTS (Frequent Services).   | Havana Maru  | Fri.   | 4th Mar.  |
| LONDON, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP via Singapore, Colombo, Suez & Port Said.   | Amazon Maru  | Fri.   | 11th Mar. |
| NEW YORK via Japan ports, Los Angeles & Panama. Call Direct at Boston.   | Kwanto Maru  | Thurs. | 10th Mar. |
| BOMBAY & KARACHI via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.  | Argun Maru   | Sat.   | 5th Mar.  |
| CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.  | Sumatra Maru | Wed.   | 2nd Mar.  |
| HAIPHONG via Haiphong.   | Canton Maru  | Sun.   | 28th Feb. |
| KEELUNG via Swatow & Amoy (3 p.m. every Sunday).   | Canada Maru  | Thurs. | 10th Mar. |
| JAPAN PORTS via Takao & Keelung.   | Dell Maru    | Thurs. | 10th Mar. |
| TAKAO via Swatow & Amoy (Fortnightly).   |              |        |           |

For further particulars please apply to:—  
**OSAKA SHOEN KAISHA.**  
Telephone 28041.

## BRITISH WUCHOW LINE

SAILING DATES FOR FEB. 1932 (Subject to Change).  
DEPARTURE HOURS: Hong Kong 5.30 p.m., Wuchow 3 p.m.

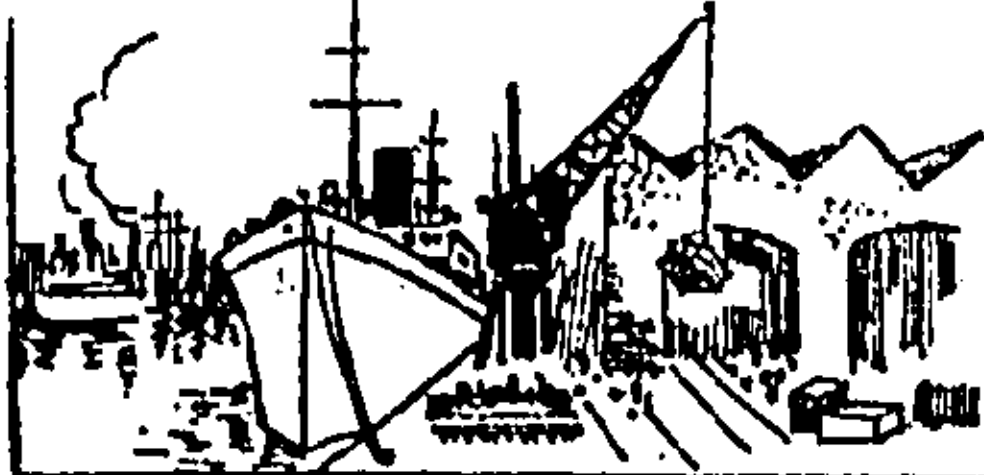
| Steamer  | Leaves Hong Kong | Arrives Wuchow | Leaves Wuchow | Arrives Hong Kong |
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| TAI HING   | SUN 28th         | TUES. 1st      | WED. 2nd      | THUR. 3rd         |
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| Meals and Wines are to be obtained on board.   |                  |                |               |                   |
| Hong Kong Arrivals & Departures from Tai Hing Wharf.   |                  |                |               |                   |
| For information apply to:—<br>29, Cross Street, West.<br>Phone 20293.  |                  |                |               |                   |

**SANG WO Co., Ltd.**

### CLEARANCES.

Thursday, February 25.  
Alster, for Shanghai.  
Dell Maru, for Swatow.  
Hongkong, for Swatow.  
Hydrangea, for Swatow.

Kaying, for Shanghai.  
Luchow, for Shanghai.  
Proteus, for Saigon.  
Shun Chih, for Saigon.  
Sydney Maru, for Singapore.  
Tai Lee, for Chaochow.  
Zulho Maru, for Keelung.



## Shipping Intelligence.

### SUEZ CANAL DUES REDUCTION

#### HOPES OF FURTHER CUTS LATER.

At a monthly council meeting of the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce presided over by Mr. J. A. Eekes, the following letter from the Liverpool Steam Ship Owners' Association was read thanking the Chamber for its assistance in the Association's campaign to secure a reduction in Suez Canal dues:—  
"You will, no doubt, have seen the announcement by the Suez Canal Company of a reduction in the rate of dues for vessels carrying cargo from 6.65 to 6 francs (gold) p.t. ton, and a reduction in the rate for vessels in ballast of 32.5 centimes (gold) per ton. The Association feels that these reduction can on the whole be regarded as a satisfactory result of the campaign initiated by it in the early months of the present year, and pursued throughout the year with the active assistance of Chambers of Shipping and Commerce and other shipping and trade organisations and companies both at home and abroad.  
"The Association would like to express its sense of gratitude for the assistance that your organisation has rendered in connection with that campaign. It may be hoped that the more friendly relations which it is believed have come into existence between the Canal Company and its customers as an outcome of the campaign will help towards getting further reductions from time to time as and when the trading results of the Canal Company permit.  
"It is unfortunately true that owing to the depreciation in the value of the pound sterling, the cost of transit of the canal to the British cargo carrying vessel has automatically increased by upwards of 25 per cent. owing to the fact that the British shipowner has to pay more for the gold francs in which the dues are payable. The increase so brought about is, to some extent, offset by the present reduction, but the taking the reduction into consideration with the present depreciated value of the pound, the rates are approximately 16 per cent. higher to-day than they were when Britain went off the gold standard.  
"It must, however, be appreciated that from the Canal Company's point of view the reduction is a substantial one, and there can be little doubt that it should, by acting as a stimulus to trade, benefit not only the shipowners and traders who pay the dues, but also the Canal Company by way of increased traffic."

### WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—  
Berwick—No. 6 buoy.  
Bridgewater—North wall.  
Bruce—In dock.  
Herald—East wall.  
Hermes—No. 1 buoy.  
Keppel—North arm.  
Marazion—North wall.  
Medway & subs.—No. 2 buoy.  
Pandora—In dock.  
Proteus—In dock.  
Tamar—Basin.  
Veteran—West wall.  
Wren—West wall.  
Whitshed—West wall.  
Witch—West wall.  
Foreign Men-of-War.  
Argus—French river gunboat.  
G.H. Eames—Portuguese transport.  
Mindanao—American river gunboat.

### ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Wednesday, February 24.  
Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons, Captain P. W. Grierson, from Swatow, Chiu On Wharf—Chiu On S.S. Co.  
Santhia, British str., 4,841 tons, Capt. H. Gibsons, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf—M.M. & Co.  
Atagosan Maru, Japanese str., 1,487 tons, Capt. Imai, from Hongkong, Kowloon Bay—M.B.K.  
Thursday, February 25.  
Empress of Japan, British str., 15,725 tons, Capt. S. Robinson, from Manila, Kowloon Dock—C.P.R.  
Halvard, British str., 1,217 tons, Capt. A. Hall, from Saigon, Buoy No. B16—Wo Fat Sing.  
Java, Danish str., 5,525 tons, Capt. Mouritzen, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf—John Mannes & Co.  
Kaituna, British str., 1,208 tons, Capt. A. Christie, from Canton, Yaumati Anchorage—Williamson & Co.  
Luchow, British str., 1,221 tons, Capt. W. Paul, from Canton, Buoy No. B3—B. & S.  
G.G. Maurice Long II, French str., 579 tons, Capt. H. Couragou, from Haiphong, Buoy No. C2—Fakhoi & Co.  
Mogami Maru, Japanese str., 1,330 tons, Capt. Shinya, from Keelung, Yaumati Anchorage—M.B.K.  
Norviken, Norwegian str., 1,779 tons, Capt. F. E. Ulstad, from Swatow, Buoy No. B1—J.M. & Co.  
Proteus, Norwegian str., 1,025 tons, Capt. S. Larsen, from Canton, Yaumati Anchorage—K. Larsen & Co.  
Rajputana, British str., 9,454 tons, Capt. R. Holland, from London via Singapore, Kowloon Wharf—M.M. & Co.  
Consignees' Notices.  
Consignees of cargo ex s.s. Bencluch are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after March 1.  
Consignees of cargo per m.v. Java are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after March 3.

### POST OFFICE NOTICE.

#### INWARD MAILS.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26.  
Swatow and Shanghai ..... Sunning  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27.  
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai (Seattle, Feb. 6) ..... President Taft (Ship due at 8 p.m., Feb. 26.)  
Japan ..... Kidderpore  
Shanghai ..... Tjibadak  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28.

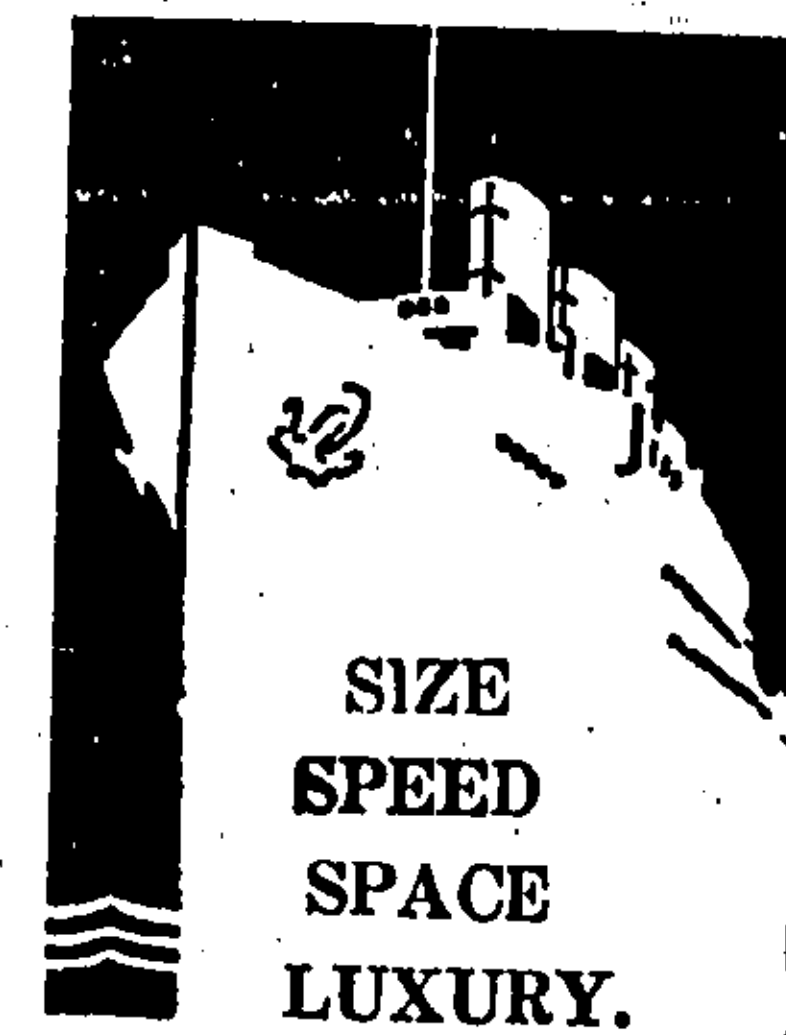
#### OUTWARD MAILS.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26.  
Hoihow and Pakhoi ..... 3.30 p.m.  
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia ..... 3.30 p.m.  
Samshui and Wuchow ..... 4 p.m.  
Saigon ..... 4.30 p.m.  
Amoy ..... 5 p.m.  
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles ..... Naldara (Due Marseilles, Mar. 25.)  
K.P.O. G.P.O.  
Parcels ..... Feb. 26, 4.30 p.m. Parcels ..... Feb. 26, 5 p.m.  
Registration ..... Feb. 27, 9 a.m. Registration ..... Feb. 27, 9.45 a.m.  
Letters ..... 10 a.m. Letters ..... 10.30 a.m.  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27.  
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island ..... Kitano Maru (Due Thursday Island, Mar. 10.)  
Registration ..... Feb. 27, 8.45 a.m.  
Letters ..... 9.30 a.m.  
Ho Sang  
Parcels ..... Feb. 27, 9 a.m.  
Letters ..... 10 a.m.  
Canton ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Liangchow ..... 3.30 p.m.  
Halvard ..... 4.30 p.m.  
Haiphong .....  
Poochow .....  
Saigon .....  
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| Leave          | Leave   | Leave    | Leave | Leave    | Leave    | Leave     |
| Emp. of Russia | Mar. 4 Mar. 7 Mar. 8 Mar. 10 Mar. 12 Mar. 21      |          |       |          |          |           |
| Emp. of Japan  | Mar. 15 Mar. 18 Mar. 20 Mar. 22 Mar. 28 Mar. 31   |          |       |          |          |           |
| Emp. of Asia   | Mar. 25 Mar. 28 Mar. 29 Mar. 31 Apr. 2 Apr. 11    |          |       |          |          |           |
| Emp. of Canada | Apr. 8 Apr. 11 Apr. 13 Apr. 15 Apr. 21 Apr. 28    |          |       |          |          |           |
| Emp. of Russia | Apr. 22 Apr. 25 Apr. 26 Apr. 28 Apr. 30 May 9     |          |       |          |          |           |
| Emp. of Japan  | May 6 May 9 May 11 May 13 May 19 May 26           |          |       |          |          |           |
| Emp. of Asia   | May 20 May 23 May 24 May 26 May 28 June 4 June 10 |          |       |          |          |           |

### Empress of Asia

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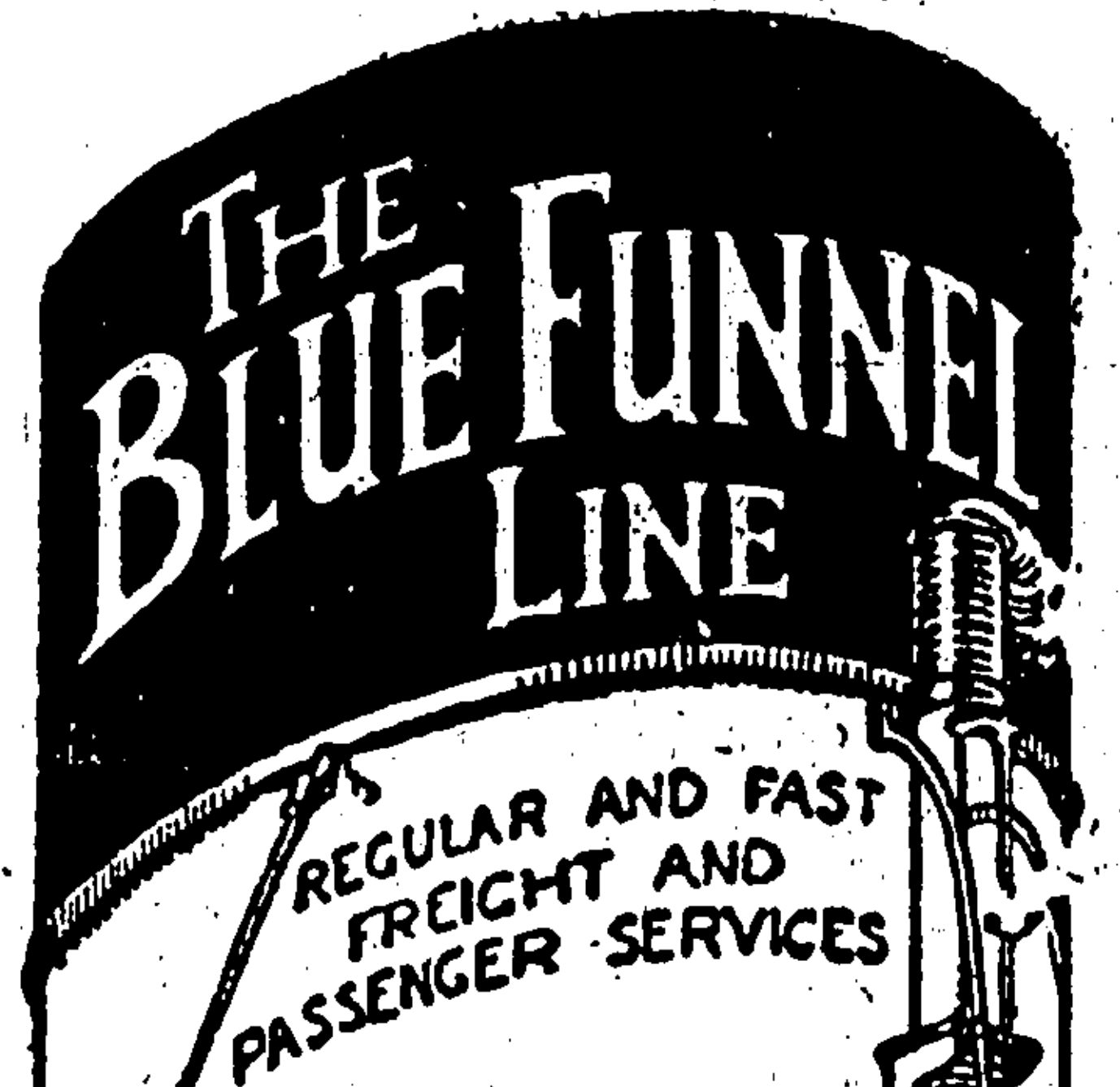
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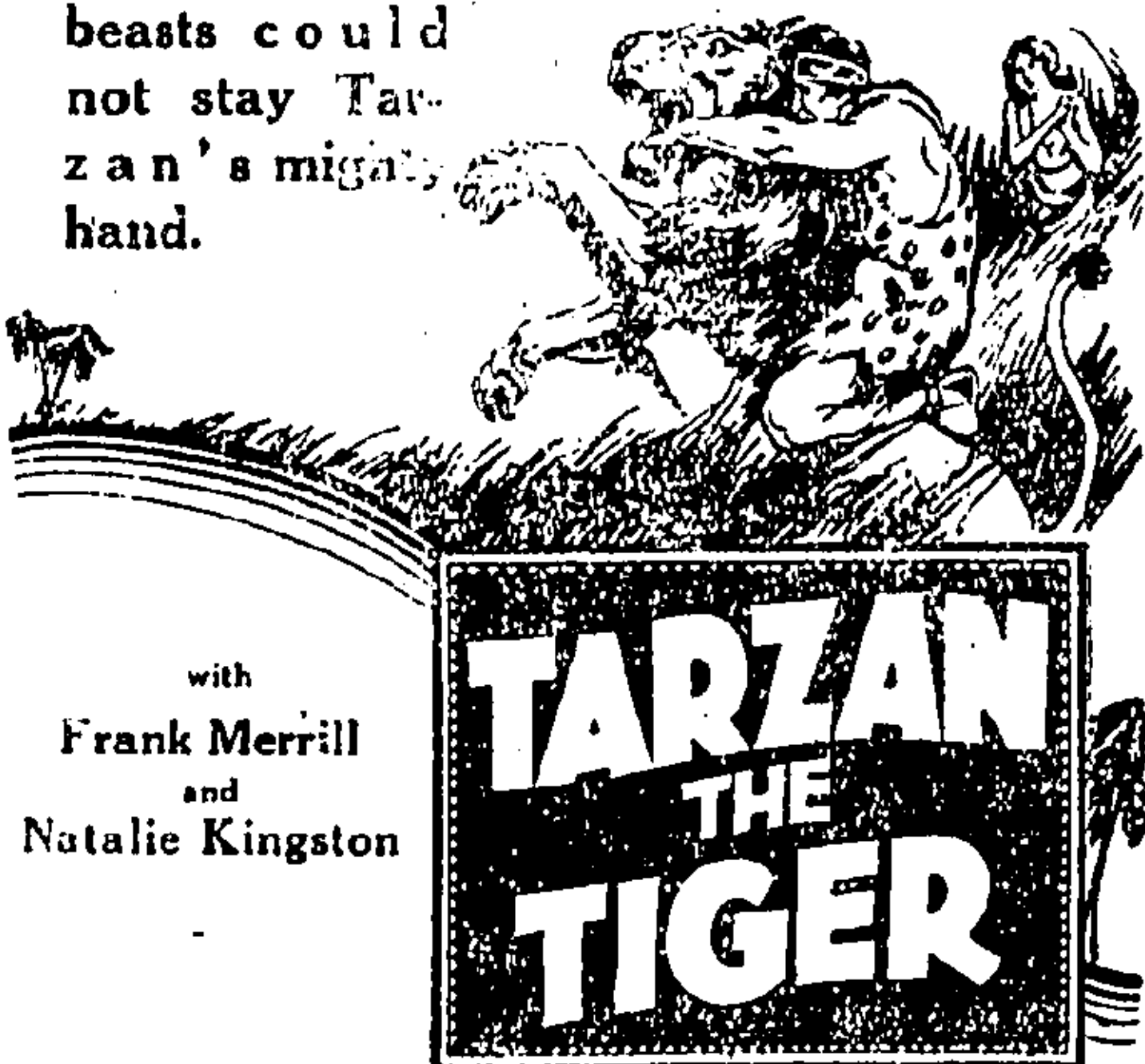
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#### PRISONER QUOTES SHAKESPEARE.

"The Quality of Mercy."

A prisoner who quoted Shakespeare's lines from "The Merchant of Venice" when asked whether he had anything to say after being found guilty was sentenced to four years' penal servitude for burglary and assault at Sheffield Quarter Sessions. "I realise that it would be useless to ask for leniency," he said, "but there is a verse by a poet—I think it was Cowper—which runs like this." He then quoted "The quality of mercy is not strained."

The man was John Edward Snape (27), bricklayer, of Sheffield, and he was charged with breaking into two Sheffield houses and stealing goods to the value of £83. It was stated that at one house he consumed a quantity of food and stole beer and wine. He left notes for the cook, one of which read: "Your tart is indeed most delightful." The handwriting formed part of the evidence against Snape. At another house, where he stole a quantity of jewelry and silver, he left finger-prints, which were identified by Scotland Yard. It was stated that while being transferred from Sheffield to Manchester at his own request before his trial he assaulted a police sergeant by hitting him on the head with a handcuff.

Snape asked for eleven other charges of housebreaking to be taken into consideration. "You seem to be a hopeless case," said the Recorder (Mr. Walter Hedley). "You have spent practically the last ten years of your life in prison, with short intervals."

#### U.S. AMBASSADOR FOR LONDON.

Rugby, Yesterday. The newly appointed United States Ambassador in London, Mr. Andrew Mellon, will reach England some time in the middle of March.—British Wireless Service.

#### BRAVERY REWARDED.

Rugby, Yesterday. A party of 19 miners, who worked for nine hours when in great danger to rescue a fellow miner, were decorated with the Edward Medal by His Majesty the King at today's private investiture at Buckingham Palace.—British Wireless Service.

#### MOTOR DEPUTATION.

Rugby, Yesterday. The Dominions Secretary, Mr. J. H. Thomas, today received a deputation of British Motor manufacturers, who submitted views regarding a means whereby their industry might be helped by the Ottawa Imperial Conference.—British Wireless Service.

#### MR. GREENIDGE PROMOTED.

Rugby, Yesterday. His Majesty the King has been pleased to give directions for the appointment of Mr. Charles Greenidge, Magistrate of Trinidad, to Chief Justice of British Honduras.—British Wireless Service.

#### IMPORT DUTIES BILL.

More Free List  
Items.

#### SOYA BEANS—SOFT HEMP FIBRE AND TOW.

London, Yesterday. The third reading of the Import Duties Bill was passed today by 442 votes to 62. In the House of Lords the Bill will be read formally for the first time to-morrow, and the Lords will pass it on Monday. The duties will then begin to operate from March 1. Mr. Neville Chamberlain has accepted an amendment to the Import Duties Bill by which soft fibre hemp and hemp tow are placed on the Free List. Another amendment to the Import Duties Bill placing soya beans on the free list has been accepted by Mr. Neville Chamberlain.—Reuter.

#### CIVIL SERVICE ROBOTS.

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If ever there was any justification for the tradition that Government departments are havens of rest, that easy-going state has long since vanished. In its organisation the Service claims to rank with that of any modern business enterprise.

#### A "PEACE ARMY." Only Way to End Hostilities.

#### NOVEL OFFER TO THE LEAGUE

London, Yesterday. A letter offering the services of a "Peace Army" of British men and women, who are eager to place themselves unarmed between the Chinese and Japanese armies with the hope of stopping the fighting, has been sent to the League of Nations. It is signed by Miss Maude Royden (woman preacher), Dean H. R. L. Sheppard (the most popular London padre) and Rev. Herbert Gray (Presbyterian Minister). This proposed step is revealed in a letter in this morning's press. Signatories state that they have come to the conclusion of like-thinkers.—Reuter.

#### WHEN DOG LICENCES BECOME VOID.

A Little-Known Point  
of Law.

A curious point relating to the validity of dog licences was mentioned at the Radcliffe Police Court, when Alice Whewell, of Hamilton Road, Whitefield, was summoned for not having a licence for her dog.

It was pointed out by Mr. Clayton that the licence for the dog was taken out by defendant's father, and when he died recently the licence at once became void. He asked if the magistrates were aware that if any one or two men had a dog and he died his wife could be prosecuted a day or two later for not having a licence if a new one had not been taken out.

The Clerk said it was open to any one to overcome that possibility by taking out the licence in the joint names of the husband and wife.

Mr. Clayton: That is a good tip for the public.

Superintendent Thompson asked for the summons to be withdrawn, and the Bench agreed.

#### BARBARIC RITES.

Reports that Eskimos are reverting to the faith of their fathers and are staging barbaric tribal ceremonies are being investigated by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

No human lives have been threatened, but the elders of the tribes have destroyed food supplies brought to them by white men.

While Eskimos have hitherto been very friendly to the whites, relations have become strained since trappers have been pushing farther into Eskimo territory.

Men who correspond to "witch doctors" among the negro tribes are now advocating the abandonment of all white men's customs and a return to the faith of their fathers.—British United Press.

#### A SOLOMON FROM MUNICH.

The mantle of Solomon has fallen on Professor Oskar von Miller, head of the Munich Museum, who has suggested a settlement in the dispute about the gondola of Professor Piccard's balloon (in which an ascent of ten miles to the stratosphere was made).

Professor Miller has made an offer for the gondola, to add to the museum's collection of pioneer aircraft. The Belgian organisation, which financed the Professor's flight, is asking for the gondola to be placed in a Brussels museum.

Professor Miller's way out is to cut the gondola (which is spherical) in halves and let both museums have the display.—British United Press.

#### PRINCE AT BIRMINGHAM.

Rugby, Yesterday. H.R.H. the Prince of Wales today visited the Birmingham section of the British Industries Fair.—British Wireless Service.

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